TOWN REPORT
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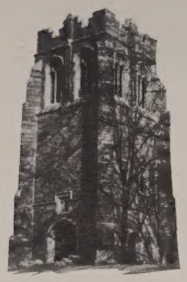

Russell Sage Chapel

Advent Christian Church

St. Patrick's Church

Trinitarian-Congregational Church

First Parish Unitarian

Baptist Church

Community Bible Church

NORTHFIELD
MASSACHUSETTS

Cover:

Northfield Area Churches: An uncommon number of local churches administer to and influence the lives of the 2467 residents of Northfield as well as surrounding areas.

Shown are: top left, Advent Christian Church; top center, Russell Sage Chapel; top right, St. Patrick's Church; lower right, Northfield Baptist Church; lower center, Community Bible Church; lower left, First Parish Unitarian Church; center, the Trinitarian Congregational Church.

In addition to these seven churches, yet another group, the New Life Singers, established nearly ten years, has attracted many young people and has given many concerts.

From the ashes of the "Moody Church", 1888, has risen a new structure, November, 1979, less than two years after its loss by fire.

Photography by Chuck Blake

ANNUAL REPORTS

of

OFFICERS and COMMITTEES

of the Town of

NORTHFIELD,

MASSACHUSETTS

For the year ending

December 31, 1979

TOWN OFFICERS

May 1979 to May 1980

MODERATOR

George M. Leonard	Term expires May 1982

TOWN CLERK

Horace F. Field	Term expires May 1980

SELECTMEN

Ralph K. Leach, Chairman	Term expires May 1981
Carolyn B. Parenteau	Term expires May 1980
Kenneth L. Miller (Resigned)	Term expires May 1982

ASSESSORS

William G. Roberts, Chairman	Term expires May 1982
Donald C. Henderson, Jr. (Resigned)	Term expires May 1980
Warren E. Whitney, Clerk	Term expires May 1981

TAX COLLECTOR

Gordon W. Leavis	Term expires May 1981

TREASURER

Grace T. Young	Term expires May 1982

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Patricia E. Shearer, Chairman	Term expires May 1980
Mary E. Llewelyn	Term expires May 1982
Desmond S. Chambers	Term expires May 1982
Charles P. Rogers (Resigned)	Term expires May 1981
Dorothy M. Persons	Term expires May 1981

PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Chadwick T. Glover, Chairman	Term expires May 1982
Theodore G. Penick	Term expires May 1981

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Richard A. Giles, Chairman	Term expires May 1982
Ann N. Graves	Term expires May 1982
Mary E. Metcalf	Term expires May 1980
Susan P. Roszkowski	Term expires May 1980
Jon G. McGowan	Term expires May 1981
Dorothy M. Hammond	Term expires May 1981

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Horace F. Field	Term expires May 1980
Richard H. Bassett	Term expires May 1981
Roger E. Bassett	Term expires May 1982

TREE WARDEN

Richard H. Bassett	Term expires May 1982

CONSTABLES

Joseph G. Morgan	Term expires May 1980
Joseph J. DeMaria	Term expires May 1980
William J. Young	Term expires May 1980
James B. O'Shea	Term expires May 1980

PLANNING BOARD

Harold A. Newton, Chairman	Term expires May 1982
John T. Callahan	Term expires May 1983
William S. Messer	Term expires May 1981
Natalie Tunison	Term expires May 1980
Thomas R. Shearer	Term expires May 1984

BOARD OF HEALRH

Grace J. Blake, Chairman	Term expires May 1981
Warren W. Blake	Term expires May 1980
Suzanne V. Handren	Term expires May 1982

SEWER COMMISSIONERS

Allen M. Sibley, Chairman	Term expires May 1982
Kenneth E. Jewell	Term expires May 1981
Herbert H. Maynard	Term expires May 1980

RECREATION COMMISSION

Mary L. Field, Chairman	Term expires May 1980
Judith A. Flemister	Term expires May 1981
Alice E. Fortier	Term expires May 1981
Edward M. Powell, Jr.	Term expires May 1981
Raymond A. Tillson	Term expires May 1982
Robert Roszkowski	Term expires May 1980
Gilbert G. Rochon	Term expires May 1982

APPOINTED BY MODERATOR

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Phyllis J. Derigon, Chairman	Term expires July 1980
Reynold N. Henry	Term expires July 1980
Grace L. Randall	Term expires July 1981
Charles E. Handren	Term expires July 1981
Stanley T. Wickey	Term expires July 1982
Robert P. Johnston	Term expires July 1982

APPOINTED BY THE BOARD OF HEALTH

ANIMAL INSPECTOR

John Field	Term expires May 1980

PLUMBING INSPECTORS

Frederick D. MacNeill — Louis W. Koonz

APPOINTMENTS BY SELECTMEN FOR 1980

ACCOUNTANT

Ethel D. Fowler	Term expires July 1981

CHIEF OF FIRE DEPARTMENT AND FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Floyd M. Dunnell, III

ASSISTANT FIRE CHIEF

Ernest H. Lawrence

CAPTAIN

David G. Quinn, Sr.

DEPUTY FIRE WARDENS

Ernest H. Lawrence — Dennis Williams — Marvin Holloway

CHIEF OF POLICE

Jon C. Schmitter

POLICE OFFICERS

Joseph J. DeMaria
Dwight P. Stearns
David A. Miller
William J. Young
James B. O'Shea
Shirley A. Thompson
Frederick I. Holton
William Forrest
Dan Gray
James Lake, Bernardston
David Gendron, Chief, Erving

SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS FOR SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS

David G. Quinn, Sr.
David G. Quinn, Jr.
John D. Ware
David R. Gibson
Harold L. Johnson
Edward M. Powell, Jr.
Frederick G. Parker

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

David R. Gibson — Term expires May 1980

GYPSY MOTH AGENT

Richard H. Bassett

TRUSTEE, FRED W. WELLS WILL

Gordon W. Leavis — Term expires May 1982

PUBLIC WEIGHERS

Domenic J. Ferrante
Frank S. Kelley
Rachel L. Yukl
Edward Connors, Jr.
Ronald H. Laczynski
Warren E. Whitney
Lillian Deane
Robert L. Huber
William Wardwell
James P. Ryan
Thomas J. Russell, Jr.

FIELD DRIVERS AND FENCE VIEWERS

James E. Dresser, Jr. — Paul T. Gorzocoski — Fredd M. Fuller

SURVEYOR OF WOOD AND TIMBER

James E. Dresser

DOG OFFICER

Frances T. Stillman

FOREST WARDEN

Richard H. Bassett

1979 - 1980 JURY LIST

Jean E. Callahan
Evelyn J. Dresser
George W. Hardaker
Eileen M. Huber
Kenneth E. Jewell
Alfred O. LaBelle
Richard Y. Lai
May F. Lanphear
Elizabeth G. Mayberry
Paul M. Mayberry
Ruth E. McGuire
Rita C. Medeiros
Shirley C. Parker
Eleanor B. Stange
Helen L. Thompson
Antonio P. Tosi
Ellen C. Tosi
Evelyn U. True
Edith G. Waaser
Mary-Louise Wallace
Warren E. Whitney
Edith L. Williams
Robin K. Woodard
Walter Wozniak

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Agnes G. Caron (Resigned)	Term expires May 1981
Edith L. Williams	Term expires May 1981
Doris S. Balk	Term expires April 1982

ELECTION OFFICERS

James R. Dale	Term expires May 1981
Helen M. Greene	Term expires May 1981
Mychaeline H. Skinner	Term expires May 1981
Dolores R. Avery	Term expires May 1981
Ann P. James	Term expires May 1981
Helen M. Stearns	Term expires May 1981
Dorena G. Johnson	Term expires May 1981
Janet L. Mroczek	Term expires May 1981

SUBSTITUTE ELECTION OFFICERS

Ruth D. Johnson	Term expires April 1980
Evelyn J. Dresser	Term expires April 1980
Rhoda S. Yucavitch	Term expires April 1980
Mildred I. Closson	Term expires April 1980
Agnes R. Wickey	Term expires April 1980
Mary E. Metcalf	Term expires April 1980

BUILDING COMMISSIONER

Gordon E. Derrig	Term expires June 1980

WIRING INSPECTOR

Joseph A. Girard	Term expires Dec. 1980

INSPECTOR OF GAS PIPING AND GAS APPLIANCES

Frank S. Turner	Term expires Dec. 1980

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Alice Kiablick, Chairman	Term expires June 1980
Rosa S. Johnston	Term expires June 1980
Ann N. Graves	Term expires June 1980
Kevin Quinlan	Term expires June 1982
Grace Randall	Term expires June 1982
Stanley J. Powers	Term expires June 1981
John Thayer	Term expires June 1981

BOARD OF APPEALS

Desmond S. Chambers,Chairman	Term expires Dec. 1980
Stanley Gorzocoski	Term expires Dec. 1984
Evelyn U. True, Secretary	Term expires Dec. 1983
Robert G. Barnes	Term expires Dec. 1982
Edward C. Bolton	Term expires Dec. 1981
Alvin H. Scott, Associate Member	Term expires Dec. 1980
Theodore G. Penick, " "	Term expires Dec. 1980
Edward D. Shearer, " "	Term expires Dec. 1980

BUILDING CODE BOARD OF APPEALS

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Theodore G. Penick, " "	Term expires Dec. 1980
Edward D. Shearer, " "	Term expires Dec. 1980

PLANNING BOARD-BOARD OF APPEALS

Desmond S. Chambers, Chairman	Term expires Dec. 1980
Stanley Gorzocoski	Term expires Dec. 1984
Evelyn U. True, Secretary	Term expires Dec. 1983
Robert G. Barnes	Term expires Dec. 1982
Edward C. Bolton	Term expires Dec. 1981
Alvin H. Scott, Associate Member	Term expires Dec. 1980
Theodore G. Penick, " "	Term expires Dec. 1980
Edward D. Shearer, " "	Term expires Dec. 1980

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Elizabeth V. Giles, Chairman	Term expires May 1982
Harold A. Briesmaster	Term expires May 1982
Raymond J. Parenteau	Term expires May 1982
Sarah Gurvitch	Term expires May 1980
Gilbert G. Rochon (Resigned)	Term expires May 1981
Charles P. Rogers (Resigned)	Term expires May 1981
Jean Shepard (Appointed)	

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT FINANCING AUTHORITY

Harold A. Newton, Chairman	Term expires April 1, 1980
Richard G. Parsons	Term expires April 1, 1981
Edward M. Powell, Jr.	Term expires April 1, 1982
Reynold N. Henry	Term expires April 1, 1983

PURCHASING COMMITTEE

Dwight Stearns	Term expires July 1981
Frank S. Kelley	Term expires July 1980

COUNCIL ON AGING

Lewis Wood, Chairman	Term expires Nov. 28, 1981
Frederick Billiel, Vice-Chairman	Term expires Nov. 28, 1981
Virginia Leach, Secretary	Term expires Nov. 28, 1981
Christine Lai, Treasurer	Term expires Nov. 28, 1981
Annette C. Jordan	Term expires Nov. 28, 1980
Agnes Wickey	Term expires Nov. 28, 1980
Sophie Servaes	Term expires Nov. 28, 1980
Leon Dunnell	Term expires Nov. 28, 1982
Helen Greene	Term expires Nov. 28, 1982

NORTHFIELD STATISTICS AND INFORMATION

Incorporated - 1723 — Square Mile Area - 40.32
Population - 2467 (1975 Census) — Miles of Roads - 67
Registered Voters - 1703
Town Hall Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Selectmen's Meetings - Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m.
Dickinson Memorial Library Hours:
Tuesday - 1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday - 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Thursday - 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Friday - 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Saturday - 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Sanitary Landfill Hours:
Monday - 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Tuesday - Closed
Wednesday- 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Thursday - Closed
Friday - 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Saturday - 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Sunday - 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
Christmas & Memorial Day - Closed.

EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBERS:
Northfield Police Department - 498-5509
Northfield Fire Department - 498-5521
Kidder Ambulance - 498-5359
Public Health Nurse - 498-5069

MASSACHUSETTS LEGISLATIVE DIRECTORY

SENATORS IN CONGRESS:

The Honorable Edward M. Kennedy (D)
Hyannis Port, Ma. 02467
2400 A John F. Kennedy Federal Building, Boston, Ma. 02203
Old Senate Office Building, Rm. 431, Washington, D. C. 20510

The Honorable Paul E. Tsongas (D)
80 Mansur St., Lowell, Ma. 02152
2003 F John F. Kennedy Federal Building, Boston, Ma. 02203
Old Senate Office Building, Rm. 437, Washington, D. C. 20510

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS:

The Honorable Silvio O. Conte (R)
49 Blythewood Dr., Pittsfield, Ma. 01201
Federal Building, 78 Center St., Pittsfield, Ma. 01201
650 Dwight St., Holyoke, Ma. 01040
2426 Rayburn Building, Washington, D. C. 20515

MEMBERS OF GENERAL COURT:

Sen. John W. Olver (D) 1333 West St., Amherst, Ma. 01002
Sen. Robert D. Wetmore (D) Hubbardston Rd., Barre, Ma. 01005

REPRESENTATIVE FOR 2nd FRANKLIN DISTRICT: (for Northfield)

Rep. William D. Benson (D) 52 Grinnell St., Greenfield, Mass. 01301

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

In the year 1979-1980, an unusually late, late fall contributed to savings in energy; almost no salt use, almost no snow plowing, even well into the new year.

A tight rein on budget adherence held the tax raise to $1.00 only per $1000.00. A special salute to our "money" people, Town Accountant and Town Treasurer, for interest earnings of high degree, with no borrowing, because of late tax bills, as was necessary in many towns.

A new front door and auditorium windows have been installed to replace the 52-year old deteriorating wooden frames.

The Town Hall continues to be "home" for 60-90 Senior Citizens with meals served three days per week.

Pauchaug boat launch was dedicated and opened by Northeast Utilities in mid-August, a fine facility giving a local approach to the Connecticut River.

Hope is held for Federal monies for replacement of Schell Bridge. At this writing, its future is unknown.

James C. Moynihan, Administrative Assistant, shared by towns of New Salen, Warwick, Wendell and Northfield, has been helpful in searching out background and specifics of various problems, projects and grants.

Your Town Board assisted the Water District by obtaining the necessary easements to get the improved water project done, free of boil-water order for the first time in nine years.

The Town Landfill, a knotty problem for many years, is due for a change, mandated by the State EPA. Hopefully the County may help in the small towns' dilemma.

O.C.I.P. (Obtain, Catalogue, Index, Preserve) for preservation of valuable town records, received a $500.00 grant from the Massachusetts Council on Arts and Humanities; hopefully to attain Historian Evelyn Parker's ambition to reach the 1900's.

The Highway Department has been able to upgrade equipment, making sound investments that should benefit the town for years to come.

Improvements around the Fire Station-Highway building and Town Hall, weather-proofing and repairs, have been done for energy conservation and building safety.

Emergency action was required to replace the 1000 gallon oil tank at the Town Hall when the installation leaked badly after probably 45 years' use.

Northfield formally joined the Economic Development and Industrial Corporation with Erving this year, opening up the possibility of an Industrial Park, as well as taking a closer look at other areas of town feasible for commercial development, preferably apart from established residential areas.

We wish to thank all participants in town government, Town Boards, Committees and Commissions, as well as elected officials. We urge even closer cooperation between boards as we look to the future.

Respectfully submitted,

Ralph K. Leach, Chairman
Carolyn B. Parenteau
Kenneth L. Miller

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT

In the past year the Highway Department has been quite busy with many larger projects, along with regular road patching, culvert replacements, road sweeping and brush cutting.

Four Mile Brook Road received extensive work. Three wooden bridges were rebuilt, several culverts were replaced and the road was graveled to make it passable for this year. Next year more will be done to improve travel conditions.

Because of lack of Winter, it gave the Department the opportunity to gravel Vernon Road and Caldwell Road, and to replace culverts, making those roads open to traffic.

Another section of South Mountain Road was widened and shaped and oiled and stoned.

Many roads were cut back and drainage conditions improved.

Approximately six miles of Town roadways were treated with oil and stone.

Approximately 2,000 ft. of Gulf Road was excavated, clay removed and a new gravel base was installed along with a new sub-drain and 11 catch basin system, and roadway resealed as part of the Chapter 90-type project.

Objectives for next year:

Continue with Chapter 90-type work on Gulf Road.
Replacement of large culvert on Vernon Rd. is necessary.
Continue sealing more Town roadways. (7 miles)
Extensive work is planned for Wendell Rd. to make that road passable for vehicular travel.
Another section of South Mountain Rd. is scheduled for major repairs.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the men of the Highway Department for the help and cooperation this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

David R. Gibson

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

SEWER COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

The Waste Water Treatment Plant in Northfield is approximately eight years old. Machinery and lab equipment are starting to become worn or outdated. Some of this must be replaced as money permits rather than become an emergency situation. For the coming year we are going to ask for $1,000.00 in the operating budget for some of these repairs and equipment.

This year has been a year of changes with new EPA rules covering lab testing, etc.

We lost our Plant Operation, Mr. Meacham, to retirement. Mr. Robert Miner has assumed these duties and is doing a very nice job.

This spring, 1980, we should have completed all test and obstacles in the sewer sealing project, so we may get the construction work done. This depends on State and Federal monies, but it looks favorable at this time. With the project completed our plant should then be operating perfectly.

Respectfully submitted,

Allen M. Sibley
Herbert Maynard
Kenneth Jewell

SEWER COMMISSIONERS

REPORT OF THE FIRE CHIEF

The Northfield Fire Department responded to a total of 83 emergency calls last year. The calls are itemized as follows:

Structure Fires	8
Electrical Fires	10
Chimney Fires	14
Brush Fires	4
Vehicle Fires	9
Vehicle Accidents	3
Smoke Investigations	9
Arson Investigations	4
Mutual Aid Calls	9
Dump Fires	2
False Alarms	1
Fire Alarm Sounding	3
Locomotive Fire	1
Administer Oxygen	1
Miscellaneous Calls	5
Total Calls	83

The Fire Department battled three major structure fires during the past year, the New England Store fire on January 14th, Gorzocoski Farm fire on February 18th, and a barn fire at the Northfield Mount Hermon Schools, Northfield Campus on November 28th. All three fires had heavy flames present upon the arrival of the fire department. A severe drop in the water pressure hampered us at the New England Store fire, which was the only building considered a total loss.

Improvements in the private water systems should help the drastic need for adequate water flow for firefighting. Upon completion of the improvements in the Northfield Water Co. system, the Fire Department will conduct a flow test. Another flow test will be taken with the interconnection from the East Northfield Water Co. open. These tests will let us know what we can expect from the hydrants before they are needed.

The new pumper acquired last year has proven itself very well. It has been a great asset in our firefighting capabilities.

The old Maxim pumper was disposed of by sealed bid on June 19, 1979. The bid price was $2,176.00.

Chimney fires are still on the rise this year. County wide, wood stoves have been one of the biggest causes for structural damage to dwellings. Anyone installing a stove should be sure it is installed with the proper clearances. Also, the chimney should be cleaned and checked annually. Anyone burning wood should remember a certain amount of maintenance is required to keep it operating safely.

In Fire Station repairs, insulation and storm windows were installed on the Fire Station and Highway Garage by James Hanrahan & Sons. This should prove to be a real asset in keeping oil consumption down to a minimum.

I want to thank the officers and men who serve under me for the fine job done again this year. Without their unselfish devotion, teamwork, and their concern for their fellow townspeople, the Fire Department could not function as it does.

I would like to thank the Police Department for their assistance at the fire scenes and on investigations. Also, I want to thank all the other departments, boards and committees that have helped me during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

Floyd M. Dunnell, III

FIRE CHIEF

REPORT OF THE FOREST FIRE WARDEN

A total of 247 burning permits were issued last year between January 15th and March 15th. There has been another change in the Open Burning Regulations. This coming year, the burning period begins on January 15th and has been extended to May 1st, weather permitting.

We had a quiet year with only four brush fires. With a wet spring and occasional rain through the summer, the forest fire danger was kept low.

I would like to thank my Deputy Wardens for their assistance through the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

Floyd M. Dunnell, III

FOREST FIRE WARDEN

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY INSPECTOR

All public buildings in the Town of Northfield were inspected for fire safety. Extinguishers, emergency lighting, exits, fire doors, etc., were checked.

All public and private schools were inspected and fire drills were conducted in each.

A different approach to fire prevention was tried at the Elementary School this year. Instead of showing the school children the fire truck and explaining different aspects of fire fighting, I gave a fire prevention talk to the students with a lively question and answer period after. I feel the youngsters were more involved with this type of program and hopefully learned more.

The amount of smoke detectors installed in residences in Northfield is tremendous. Many citizens have asked for advice on the types and placement of detectors. I will always be more than willing to help anyone in this endeavor. I want to caution people who have installed battery operated detectors to replace the battery ANNUALLY. A dead battery means a dead detector, and a dead detector is of no use to anyone. A good practice to get into is to test your detector at least once a month, and replace the battery once a year. I replace mine every Christmas. It makes a very good "stocking stuffer" for the ones you love.

Respectfully submitted,

Floyd M. Dunnell, III

PUBLIC SAFETY INSPECTOR

BUILDING COMMISSION REPORT

For the year Jan. 1, 1979 to Dec. 31, 1979

Building Permits issued - 84
Certificate of Inspection Permits issued - 41
Fees Waived - 11
Demolitions - 7

	Estimated Cost	Fees
Certificate of Inspection Permits		$712.00
New Dwellings	$662,770.00	157.50
Additions, Alterations & Repairs	234,282.00	516.50
Misc. Sheds, Barns, etc.	55,305.00	172.00
Swimming Pools	5,550.00	50.00
Demolitions		90.00
Chimneys & Fireplace Repairs	9,300.00	90.00
Residential Garages		
Moving Permit	1,000.00	25.00
Total Costs & Fees	$969,707.00	$1,818.00

Property & Permit Inspections - 125
Court Case Appearances - 0 (1 pending)
Special Month Meetings at Shelburne Falls - 6
Special Meetings at the Town Hall with State & Local Officials - 2
Inspections made with State Inspector - 8
Regular Saturday and Wednesday Office Hours at Town Hall - 101

Respectfully submitted,

Gordon E. Derrig

BUILDING COMMISSIONER

WIRING INSPECTOR'S REPORT

Last year a total of 33 wiring permits were issued and subsequent inspections performed in the Town of Northfield.

This increase in permits issued is a direct result of the public and contractors becoming aware that wiring permits are required to wire in the Town of Northfield.

My special thanks to Mrs. Shirley Thompson for her handling and issuing permits from the Town Hall during working hours. I would also like to thank the Board of Selectmen and Gordon Derrig, Building Commissioner, for their cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph A. Girard

WIRING INSPECTOR

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

During the year, 33 diseased Elm trees were removed. There were 11 samples taken and sent to the Shade Tree Laboratories for culture. A total of 11 trees were found positive, and they should be removed.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the men in my department for their splendid cooperation in helping me carry out the various programs this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard H. Bassett

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

TREE WARDEN'S REPORT

To the Selectmen and Citizens of the Town of Northfield:

I hereby submit my report for the year ending December 31, 1979. This past year, 41 trees had to be removed, being dead or a hazard to the streets or highways. We also trimmed trees of dead wood and low limbs along some of the streets.

Last spring and fall, 33 trees were planted along our streets. Flowers were planted in front of the Town Hall, Water Fountain, V.F.W. Hall, West Northfield Playground flagpole, Fire Station, and on stumps.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard H. Bassett

TREE WARDEN

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

The year 1979 was a busy year for the Northfield Police Department. The Department traded the 1977 Plymouth Cruiser for a 1979 Ford LTD II. This has brought a change in the fuel efficiency of the cruiser, but with the projected price increases for FY81, a reassessment of the Department is essential. New tactics and strategy will have to be worked out to get more miles for less gasoline. Paramount will be the specifications of the new cruiser.

The Department received a four-wheel drive vehicle in March. The vehicle was obtain from Civil Defense, with the assistance of the local Director, and was equipped with a police radio. With the generous assistance of the members of the Fire Department, the vehicle was painted blue. The Department has been able to secure equipment for the vehicle by donation. A variety of persons have donated the most important thing of all, and that is time, to get '280' in operation. The vehicle has been used to patrol the more remote sections of town and has been successful in opening areas to police patrol. The vehicle is still not fully operational, but we are getting there slowly.

Five new members were added to the Police Department, and all completed the Massachusetts Criminal Justice Training Council's Academy for Reserve and Intermittent Officers.

The following statistics show the increase in the Department's activites:

Police Activities 1979

Total Calls Recorded: 3,987

Ambulance assists	25	Wrecker requests	37
Animal calls	182	Pistol Permits	46
Bank runs	47	F.I.D. Cards	36
Family disputes	47	Assist to outside agencies	389
House check requests	90	Assist other Police Depts.	280
Missing persons	39	Motor vehicle complaints	128
Suspicious persons	165	Miscellaneous	1384
Registration checks	210		

Motor Vehicle Activities

Motor Vehicle Accidents	104	Warnings (Oral & Written)	141
Persons Injured	37	Defective Equipment Tags	29
Property Damaged	$51,343	Hit & Run Accidents	25
Motor Vehicle Citations	185		

Criminal Activities

Armed Robberies	2	Motor Vehicles recovered	5
Arson	8	Crimes cleared by arrest	23
Assaults	13	Crimes cleared by other means	43
Burglaries	37	Motor Vehicle arrests	8
Motor Vehicle Thefts	7	Protective Custody	10
Alarms	32	Value of property taken	$22,475
Malicious Destruction	28	Value of property recovered	$ 6,954
Larcenies	62		

Although some of the increase is due to better records keeping, there is a significant increase in the criminal activities. The increase is in crimes against property. I would urge the members of the community to secure their homes when they are away for even a few minutes, and to secure any valuables that are just laying around the house.

I would again like to thank the members of the community for their assistance and support through 1979. I would like to add, that the cooperation given to me by the members of the Northfield Fire Department has made the job much easier. I would particularly like to thank the officers of the Northfield Police Department for an exceptionally fine job through this year.

Respectfully submitted,

Jon C. Schmitter

CHIEF OF POLICE

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

As in the past, your Finance Committee continues to guide Town spending by analyzing each department's anticipated expenditures. It is also our responsibility to review each article on the Town Warrant and to make our recommendation to the voters. At all times, our goal is to preserve the tax rate with prudent expenditure.

The modernization of the Omnibus Bill on the 1979 Town Warrant was exceptionally successful since it provides the voter with a more definitive approach to analysis of Town expenditures. We therefore continued the same format this year.

We urged each department to present a budget which did not increase the total "dollar" expenditure over last year's budget. We suggested that elected and most appointed personnel not receive a salary increase in this critical year. We further suggested that if salary increases were warranted, they should not exceed 10% of the amount allocated to the departmental payroll for Fiscal Year 79-80.

We thank each department for its cooperation in presenting a well planned budget. Although it was not always possible to meet our goals due to inflation, we feel each budget is realistic and within the capacity of the Town to finance.

We recommend to the Selectmen that a major revision in fees charged for services be considered in light of increased costs of administering town programs and facilities.

Meetings of the Finance Committee are held monthly. We welcome each of you to join with us and to present your concerns.

Members of this years' Committee are:

Phyllis J. Derigon, Chairman
Reynold Henry, Secretary
Robert Johnston
Charles Handren
Grace Randall

FINANCE COMMITTEE

REPORT OF ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

The Board conducted nine public hearings during 1979 involving applications for four Special Permits, four Variances, and one Appeal to overturn a decision by the Building Commissioner. Three Special Permits were granted while the fourth was denied. With respect to the Variances, three were granted and one was denied. The Board upheld the Appeal of Warwick Avenue residents and directed Samuel Browning to cease operating a truck dispatch business at the Eugene Miller property on Warwick Avenue.

Respectfully submitted,

Members:
Desmond S. Chambers, Chairman
Stanley Gorzocoski
Evelyn U. True
Robert G. Barnes
Edward C. Bolton

Associate Members:
Alvin H. Scott
Theodore G. Penick
Edward D. Shearer

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

REPORT OF BOARD OF HEALTH

The State Surveyor, Jeanne McKee, met with us in August, 1979, for the yearly review of our nursing agency. Upon certification we were faced with new regulations to be implemented on or before July 1, 1980. These new regulations include a 24-hour telephone answering service and weekend and evening nurse coverage. In January we met with the Montague Selectmen to investigate the possibility of merging with their nursing association. Montague Nursing Association would assume only the administrative duties for our nursing agency and we would be able to retain our own nurse and nurse substitute, thus continuing to offer Northfield residents our usual personal service. We anticipate joining with Montague Nursing Association on or before July 1, 1980 thus continuing our certification.

In November we accepted the resignation of Cathy Rae, Nurse Supervisor.

During the year we held a special meeting with the Cemetery Commission concerning the establishment of a new cemetery in the village area, attended Northfield Civil Defense Meetings regarding an evacuation plan for the town, met with the D.E.Q.E. in Amherst concerning the closing of our present landfill and establishment of an alternative method of refuse removal, and also re-evaluated our present method of aerial spraying for mosquitoes with the Mass. Department of Public Health.

The Board continues to answer "citizen complaints" in accordance with state codes and oversees the issuance of Installer's Permits, Disposal Works Construction Permits and Victualler's Licenses.

The Board would like to thank the following for their cooperation and support:

Eileen U. Gorzocoski, R.N. - Town Nurse
Christine Kovalchick, R.N. - Nurse Substitute
Nurse's Advisory Committee
Cathy Rae, R.N., M.S. - Nurse Supervisor
Shirley Thompson - Secretary
John Field - Animal Inspector and Food Services Inspector
John Brickett, Registered Professional Sanitarian - Greenfield Board of Health
Frederick MacNeill - Plumbing Inspector
Louis Koonz - Plumbing Inspector

Respectfully submitted,

Grace J. Blake, Chairman
Suzanne V. Handren
Warren W. Blake, D.D.S.

BOARD OF HEALTH

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Conservation Commission meets regularly on the third Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Town Hall.

At the end of 1978, the Conservation Commission was successful in obtaining a grant of $450 from the Franklin Conservation District, the money to be used for site development on King Philip's Hill. Before proceeding with plans, Mrs. Priscilla Colton Carroll was invited to review some of the history of the area for the Commission members. The grant money was expended for the erection of a post and rail fence at the lookout area, for benches on the trail and at the top, and for appropriate signs pointing to the trail, to the lookout, and to the trenches nearby. Many hours of time were donated by Commission members to accomplish these improvements and it is hoped that townspeople and visitors will use the area more and appreciate the beauty of it. The nature of the property makes it imperative that only a walking trail be planned and that any kind of motorized vehicles be banned.

During the year the Commission approved:

1. Extension of the permit to Massachusetts Department of Public Works for the construction of drainage culvert on old Route 10.
2. Repair of drain tiles on Northfield Mount Hermon property along Routes 10 and 63 across from the boat ramp.
3. Improvement of drainage pattern on Northfield Golf Course.
4. Repairs on Gulf Road near a wet area.
5. Installation of pipes under four streams by the Northfield Water Company. A public hearing was held on June 4, 1979 concerning this construction.
6. Plans by the Army Corps of Engineers to do a study of various means of riverbank stabilization on a 2000 ft. section of the Connecticut River south of the Bennett Meadow Bridge. The Army Corps of Engineers held a public meeting concerning this project on June 11, 1979.

Town Conservation Commissions were designated as local agents to administer the new Agricultural Lands Preservation Restriction Act and one member of the Commission attended informational meetings concerning this act. To date, no one in Northfield has applied to have land thus restricted.

The Conservation Commission represents the Town in matters of erosion control, the diversion of the Connecticut River water to the Quabbin Reservoir, and the Flood Insurance Program. Members attend many county and state meetings on these subjects.

In October, 1979, Mrs. Jean Shepard was appointed to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Charles Rogers. In January, 1980, Gilbert Rochon tendered his resignation and at the time of this writing, that place has not been filled.

The Commission expresses its thanks to the Selectmen and to the citizens who have aided in its work.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth V. Giles, Chairman
Harold Briesmaster
Sarah Gurvitch
Raymond Parenteau
Robert Graves
Jean Shepard

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Report of the

NORTHFIELD HISTORICAL COMMISSION

The on-going inventory of significant historic architecture in Northfield was continued with the assistance of the Northfield Fortnightly Heritage Committee. A special project for this year has been the preparation of a detailed list of all historic sites in Northfield with appropriate maps. The Heritage Committee has been nominated for one of the 1980 State Preservation Awards for its strong commitment towards identifying historic properties and advancing preservation education in the community.

In December of 1979, the Commission received notification from the Massachusetts Historical Commission, acting as the State Review Board, that King Philip's Hill, a second settlement site in Northfield, has been voted eligible for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places. Under this designation, a property is afforded protection from adverse effect caused by publicly funded or licensed projects. Moreover, the designation will gain recognition for the property as an important state and national cultural resource. This nomination was made possible through the in-depth scientific study done in cooperation with Dr. Dena Dincauze of the Department of Anthropology, University of Massachusetts-Amherst. The Commission anxiously awaits final federal approval for the designation from the Heritage, Conservation and Recreation Service in Washington, D. C.

Main Street Northfield has also been recognized by the local Commission as a National Register Site. Along with the state and national significance accompanied with this designation, it also carries with it the potential for financial support for restoration and adaptation of structures, particularly for businesses. The application for Northfield Main Street has been sent in, and we are awaiting the state approval.

Besides the regular open monthly meetings of the Commission, a special public program, in cooperation with the Historical Society, was held in November of 1979 with Dr. John Worrell of Old Sturbridge Village as the speaker. The subject of the program was the most recent findings of the archaeological summer school at Stratton Tavern in Northfield Farms, and the significance of this study in understanding the role of the early tavern, a gift to O.S.V. from the Hammond family, in the Farm's community.

In observance of National Historic Preservation Week (May 11-17) and National Museums Day, the Commission has set aside May 17 as Northfield's Day for History. Town-wide involvement is planned with special exhibits, programs, house tours, and various organized walking tours highlighting the day.

As the appointed preservation officers for the town, some of the year has been spent in reviewing our responsibilities. The compilation and analysis of an inventory of historic, architectural, and archaeological resources is the first step in preservation planning. In addition to the development of public education and information programs, our primary responsibility, by law, is to develop and implement an official local historic preservation plan. Furthermore, we are responsible for ensuring that preservation concerns are considered in all local planning and management decisions.

Respectfully submitted,

Alice Kiablick, Chairman
Grace Randall, Secretary
Ann Graves, Treasurer
Rosa Johnston
Stanley Powers
Kevin Quinlan
John Thayer

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

ANNUAL REPORT
NORTHFIELD RECREATION COMMISSION

The Recreation Commission meets the second and fourth Thursday of each month, 7:30 p.m. at the Library.

The Commission hired ten teenagers and three adults for part-time jobs throughout the year to run our various programs. Those jobs included summer program director, day camp director, assistant direct and four aides, swimming instructors and lifeguards, tennis instructor, two pre-school aides, and a projectionist.

Following is a listing of our programs and the number of people they served:

1. Six-mile road race, May 20th, West Northfield playground, 33 runners.
2. Swimming instruction July, twelve sessions, Meany Gym pool, 146 people.
3. Tennis, July and August, Marquand Courts, 50 people:
   16 children
   14 teens
   20 adults
4. Film series - five movies, July and August, Alexander Hall on Sunday evenings, total attendance - 215.
5. Job corps to help place teens in summer employment - 15.
6. Pre-school program, Tuesday mornings during summer, Library, 17 children.
7. Day camp, July and August, five mornings a week, Center School and Kiwanis Park, K-grade 6, 112 registered.
   Field trip to Look Park - 69
   Overnight tenting - 66
   Some other activities included making a film, archery lessons, putting on a play, bike program, body movement, and macrame.
8. Family swim and adult gym, fall and winter, Wednesday evenings, Meany Gym, attendance varied from 30 to 60.
9. Community Carol Sing, Dec. 16th, Library, approx. 26.
10. Skating, Jan. and Feb. Dickinson pond and hut manned by volunteers.
    School days 3:30 - 4:30 p.m., average attendance - 7.
    Weekends 1:30 - 4:00 p.m., average attendance - 40.
    We celebrated electricity being returned to the hut with the first evening skating, Feb. 9th.

11. Winter Carnival, Feb. 9th, includes snow sculpture, skating, cross country skiing, hayrides and snowmobile rides, evening skating party. Programs are planned according to snow, ice and weather conditions.

The Commission offers recreational opportunities to teens through the job corps, swimming (water ballet, basic rescue and water safety), summer Sunday evening movies, swim and gym, and tennis.

We continue to be unable to fill the demand for swimming and are working on that problem. We are continuing work on expanding the field behind the Center School that this area may provide another ball or soccer field, tennis courts, a possible in-ground pool, an amphitheater, and nature trails.

We are indebted to all those who volunteered their time and talents to make our programs successful.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Field, Chairman
Judy Flemister
Alice Fortier
Edward M. Powell, Jr.
Raymond Tillson
Robert Roszkowski

RECREATION COMMISSION

REPORT OF NORTHFIELD PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING SERVICE

To the Selectmen, Board of Health, and Citizens of the Town of Northfield:

The Nurse's office continues to be frequented by many townspersons for private consultations concerning their personal, medical or various other problems.

Free monthly Blood Pressure Clinics continue to be held at the Nurse's office every second Tuesday of the month and are always well attended. Other townspeople as well as the Senior Citizens from the Center are encouraged and welcomed to attend.

On October 30, 1979, the Board of Health sponsored a free Flu vaccine clinic at the Senior Center. I was assisted by Mrs. Christine Kovalchick, R.N., and Mrs. Ruth Dale, R.N. Dr. George Harris of Northfield Mount Hermon Schools was the physician in attendance, and 110 adults were immunized. Another 15 people were given the Flu vaccine in their homes or at the office. In all, a total of 125 doses of vaccine was administered.

On November 5, 1979, the Annual Red Cross Bloodmobile, sponsored by the Fortnightly, collected 34 pints of blood.

At this time, I would like to thank Dr. George Harris, the nurses, many volunteer clerical workers, and others who helped to make these projects a success.

Report of Visits Made in 1979:

Home Visits	917
Office Visits	169
Not Home Visits	7
Total Visits	1093

Our agency continues to be certified in the Medicare and Medicaid Program until August, 1980, when a new state survey will be conducted. Continued certification is contingent upon the implementation of several new state regulations such as 24-hour telephone answering service and evening and weekend nurse coverage. Also, the mandated state regulation for a nurse-supervisor has to be met since the position has not been filled since the resignation of Cathy Rae in December, 1979.

A possible merger with the Montague Nursing Department is under investigation. Several conferences have occurred between their Selectmen and Northfield's Board of Health, discussing the possibility of their assuming only the administrative duties for our nursing agency; thus retaining our autonomy. Hopefully, the merger will be integrated by or on July 1st, 1980, thus continuing our certification.

In order to keep abreast with the current trends and changes in the health field, I attended Seminars and In-Service courses sponsored by the Farren Memorial and Franklin County Public Hospitals, Greenfield Visiting Nurse's Association, the Montague Nursing Department, and those held in Amherst, Chicopee, Holyoke, and Springfield, Mass.

Professional Advisory Committee meetings were attended by me during the year at Greenfield Visiting Nurse's Association, Montague Nursing Department and those held in Northfield with this agency's own Professional Advisory Committee.

I attended several seminars sponsored by Physical Therapy Departments of both hospitals, Farren and Franklin County Public Hospital, and those given by Speech Therapy, Occupational Therapy and Medical Social Service Departments of Franklin County Public Hospital.

Several meetings concerning a quality assurance program for the delivery of good nursing care were attended by me at Greenfield Visiting Nurse's Association and these were followed by weekly conferences for the development of Nursing Standards of patient care.

I wish to thank Mrs. Christine Kovalchick, R.N., of Northfield and Mrs. Joan Hume, R.N., of Greenfield, for covering the agency during the vacation period.

I would also like to thank the Board of Selectmen, the Board of Health, the Nursing Advisory Committee members, especially Ruth Dale, R.N., Mrs. Shirley Thompson, Secretary, and the townspeople for all their efforts, cooperation and support this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

Eileen U. Gorzocoski, R.N.

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

COUNCIL ON AGING ANNUAL REPORT

During the past year we have organized and, being a new organization, we have had to explore our directions and capabilities. We meet at the Town Hall on the second Thursday of each month.

The purpose of the Council on Aging: To identify elderly needs; to educate and implement services to fill these needs; and to coordinate existing services.

Our Senior Center meal site at the Town Hall serves dinners at noon each Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. Reservations must be made in advance by calling 498-2186, Kathy Hyson, Director. All senior citizens, 60 years of age or older, are eligible. In the fiscal year just concluded, 10,000 meals were served here, not counting monthly summer pot luck dinners to stretch our quotas.

Council on Aging representatives have attended some of the quarterly meetings of the Western Massachusetts Association of the Council on Aging where 78 councils may exchange ideas.

We have furnished the Senior Center area with a First Aid Kit which sees frequent use. Improvement of facilities is planned and several projects are underway.

We assisted in financing and setting up a hearing clinic. More clinics can be planned upon request. Our Senior Center offers blood pressure check-ups by Town Nurse, Eileen Gorzocoski, on the second Tuesday of each month. We are prepared to provide supplemental meals to shut-ins as needed.

In cooperation with Northfield's Disaster Program, Council on Aging has given Civil Defense Director, David Mroczek, a listing of all Seniors, numbering 505 residents age 60 or over. In case of Nuclear evacuation, a special list of approximately 100 shut-ins, people alone and/or handicapped, has been given to Director Mroczek and Police Chief Jon Schmitter, directing evacuees to take with them any special medication and equipment.

Any of the ten members of the Council on Aging may be called for assistance. We advocate "Neighbors Helping Neighbors" in health problems, fuel shortages or disaster. Referrals may be made by members in case of special needs if they are notified.

Council on Aging members are listed in the front of this book. We stand ready to help.

Respectfully submitted,

Lewis Wood, Chairman
Frederick Billiel, Vice-Chairman
Virginia Leach, Secretary
Christine Lai, Treasurer
Annette C. Jordan
Agnes Wickey
Sophie Servaes
Leon Dunnell
Helen Greene

COUNCIL ON AGING

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE DICKINSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY

The year has been a very active one for the library. We have had a circulation increase of nearly 20% over last year and have served over 12,000 people during the year. We have provided several special events for children which have been very well attended and have provided facilities for a number of programs sponsored by local groups. Each month we have featured a display of our books in some special area (gardening, crafts, music, biography, classics, etc.) as a way of helping you realize some of the resources we do have. We have also continued the displays of the work of local artists and artisans and feel this has been a very welcome addition to our program. We appreciate the cooperation of those who have exhibited. In view of the interest in and importance of the energy situation we have been developing an up-dated collection of materials in this area. We have reorganized our pamphlet file and centralized our local history and genealogy collections in a room where they can be studied more comfortably and conveniently. One of the museum rooms has been cleaned and rearranged bringing a semblance of order out of a previous chaos. As a result of numerous requests, a copier which makes excellent copies has been purchased and is available to any who may want to use if for a fee which just about covers cost of materials. The machine has already received a good deal of use and the demand seems to be increasing as more learn of its availability.

Our staff has done an excellent job this year and we continue to feel most fortunate that we were able to attract Barbara Mennard to the head librarianship. Much of the considerable progress made this year has been due to her leadership. We were also fortunate in having Peggy Lawrence and Michelle Tessier working for us as part of the C.E.T.A. program. Without them we could not have done many of the things we did. Our assistant librarian, Jane Leavitt, will be on leave through the spring and summer, but we expect to welcome her back in September.

We have had a problem with our magazine storage room in the basement with a good deal of mildew showing up this summer. We have installed a dehumidifier but are not entirely confident that that will entirely solve the problem either there or in the children's room next door. The dehumidifiers are adding considerably to our electrical costs.

Inflation, particularly with respect to fuel, books and magazines and library supplies, has been extremely severe this year, with each of these categories seeing very major rate increases. Since these three items consitute a very major portion of our operational budget, we find ourselves in a considerable budgetary squeeze, but we are doing all we can to meet your increasing demands and needs with as little increase as possible.

In November the trustees of the Northfield Mount Hermon Schools offered us a gift of land at the rear of the library to be used as a parking area. As soon as the Town votes acceptance of the gift we will begin developing the area, for parking space has constituted an increasingly severe problem this year. We are most grateful for the gift.

We have also had several other very much appreciated gifts from the Kiwanis Club, the Friends of the Library, a local bank and several individuals. Among other things these gifts include a table for our projection equipment, book trucks, books, records, posters and individualized book marks. We are grateful to each of the donors. May we suggest here that you keep your eyes open for the book sales that the Friends of the Library conduct from time to time. They have done a great deal for us in the way of supplying needed items of equipment and their principal source of income is from these sales. There are often some real bargains at these sales.

In conclusion may we express our appreciation to each of you for your continued support this year. We want very much to meet as many of your needs as we reasonably can and welcome any suggestions you may have.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard A. Giles, Chairman
Ann Graves
Dorothy Hammond
Jon McGowan
Mary Metcalf
Susan Roszkowski

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

DICKINSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY
ANNUAL REPORT 1979

Statistics:

Books Withdrawn - 707
Books Added - 804

Attendance (Adult and Juvenile) - 12,063

Circulation -

Adult Book	- 14,030	Juvenile Book	- 9,889
Adult Non-book*-	1,403	Juvenile Non-book*-	934
Adult Total	- 15,433	Juvenile Total	-10,823

Total Circulation - 26,256
*Non-book - magazines, records, puzzles.

Once again the Kiwanis Club has proved its generosity with a gift of a portable stand for the movie projector. The Greenfield Co-Operative Bank has made bookmarks available for our patrons. The Friends of the Library donated a book truck, records and posters for the Children's Room.

I would like to make special mention of Peggy Lawrence and Michelle Tessier, our Youth Corp participants. Both girls have done an outstanding job in cleaning the museum, shifting the materials for the newly created Local History/Genealogy Room, besides completing their regular chores of shelving, filing, and covering books.

My special thanks to all the volunteers, to Sue Giles, Ruth Ellison and especially Jane Leavitt for all their help and support this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Mennard

LIBRARIAN

REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

Taxes for 1976

Motor Vehicle Excise outstanding 1/1/79		94.41
Abatements	59.76	
Paid to Treasurer	34.65	
	94.41	94.41

Taxes for 1977

Motor Vehicle Excise outstanding 1/1/79		1,329.05
Committed After 1/1/79		29.70
Collected After Abatement		23.10
Abatements	531.48	
Paid to Treasurer	824.79	
Outstanding 1/1/80	25.58	
	1,381.85	1,381.85

Taxes for 1978

Motor Vehicle Excise outstanding 1/1/79		14,884.73
Committed After 1/1/79		5,596.94
Refunds		507.03
Abatements	1,794.38	
Paid to Treasurer	18,451.73	
Outstanding 1/1/80	742.59	
	20,988.70	20,988.70

Farm Animal & Machinery Excise outstanding 1/1/79		100.50
Paid to Treasurer	100.50	
	100.50	100.50

Taxes for 1979

Motor Vehicle Excise Levy		121,785.41
Refunds		2,329.87
Abatements	9,085.18	
Paid to Treasurer	105,820.24	
Outstanding 1/1/80	9,209.86	
	124,115.28	124,115.28
Farm Animal & Machinery Excise Levy		3,066.88
Paid to Treasurer	3,066.88	
	3,066.88	3,066.88

Taxes for 1978 Fiscal Year

Personal Property Taxes Outstanding 1/1/79		7.40
Paid to Treasurer	7.40	
	7.40	7.40

Taxes for 1979 Fiscal Year

Personal Property Taxes Outstanding 1/1/79		68,479.21
Refunds		15.15
Abatements	22.20	
Paid to Treasurer	68,383.36	
Outstanding 1/1/80	88.80	
	68,494.36	68,494.36
Real Estate Taxes Outstanding 1/1/79		454,627.85
Refunds		277.25
Abatements	236.98	
Tax Titles Taken	242.18	
Tax Titles Added	2,476.41	
Statement filed to continue Municipal Lien in accordance with Chapter 60, Section 37A and placed in Special Taxes account in accordance with Chapter 60, Section 95	444.74	
Paid to Treasurer	451,504.79	
	454,905.10	454,905.10

Taxes for 1980 Fiscal Year

Personal Property Levy		139,912.92
Refunds		1.90
Abatements	304.00	
Paid to Treasurer	69,632.13	
Outstanding 1/1/80	69,978.69	
	139,914.82	139,914.82
Real Estate Levy		981,797.56
Refunds		211.28
Abatements	30,677.49	
Paid to Treasurer	481,459.84	
Outstanding 1/1/80	469,871.51	
	982,008.84	982,008.84

Sewer Use Charges

1978 Fiscal Year Charges outstanding 1/1/79		1,683.30
Paid to Treasurer	224.44	
Added to 1980 Real Estate Tax Levy	1,458.86	
	1,683.30	1,683.30

Charges for Fiscal Year 1979		23,274.00
Paid to Treasurer	21,334.50	
Outstanding 1/1/80	1,939.50	
	23,274.00	23,274.00

Sewer Use Charges Added to Real Estate Taxes

1977 Charges outstanding 1/1/79		414.20
Committed Interest outstanding 1/1/79		38.16
1978 Charges Added		1,458.86
Committed Interest Added		137.80
Paid to Treasurer	1,741.93	
1978 Charges outstanding 1/1/80	280.55	
Committed Interest outstanding 1/1/80	26.54	
	2,049.02	2,049.02

Sewer Plant Fees

Fees outstanding 1/1/79		210.00
Committed After 1/1/79		210.00
Paid to Treasurer	289.88	
Outstanding 1/1/80	130.12	
	420.00	420.00

Chapter 60, Section 95 Special Taxes

Balance outstanding 1/1/79		444.77
Added from 1979 Real Estate Tax Levy		444.74
Outstanding 1/1/80	889.51	
	889.51	889.51

NORTHFIELD WATER DISTRICT TAXES

Taxes for 1979 Fiscal Year

Water Charges outstanding 1/1/79		183.23
Committed Interest outstanding 1/1/79		16.87
Paid to District Treasurer	200.10	
	200.10	200.10

Taxes for 1980 Fiscal Year

Water Charges Added to Real Estate Levy		487.37
Committed Interest Added		42.95
Paid to District Treasurer	259.00	
Water Charges outstanding 1/1/80	248.64	
Committed Interest outstanding 1/1/80	22.68	
	530.32	530.32

Respectfully submitted,

Gordon W. Leavis

TAX COLLECTOR

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FRED W. WELLS TRUSTEES

The Fred W. Wells Trust continued to benefit residents of the participating towns during 1979 in the areas of Health, Agriculture and Education.

Funding assistance was again provided to Project Horizon through the Franklin County Mental Health Association. A grant of $15,000 was also made to strengthen the finances of the Mohawk Medical Center.

Awards for agricultural achievement were made through the Franklin County Agricultural Society, the Heath Fair and the Future Farmers of America Chapter at the Franklin County Regional Technical School.

Educational awards in the amount of $47,575.00 were made for the 1979-1980 school year to be paid to various educational institutions for the benefit of 77 area students.

Respectfully submitted,

Gordon W. Leavis

TRUSTEE

BOARD OF ASSESSORS REPORT
Fiscal year ending June 30, 1979

RECAPITULATION

TOWN APPROPRIATIONS		
(1) To be raised by Taxation	$1,403,017.48	
(2) To be raised from Available Funds	159,253.94	
		$1,562,271.42
School Lunch Program	2,028.00	
Free Public Libraries	926.00	
Veterans District Services	4,070.73	
County Retirement Service	20,816.00	
Overlay Deficit	3,127.21	
Snow Removal	9,459.76	
		40,427.70
COUNTY TAX AND ASSESSMENTS		
County Tax	53,826.08	
1978 Underestimate County Tax	4,014.95	
		57,841.03
STATE TAX AND ASSESSMENTS		
State Recreation Areas	12,039.57	
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Bills	383.10	
Pioneer Valley Air Pollution Control	598.98	
		13,021.65
Overlay of Current Year		36,643.60
		$1,710,205.40

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND AVAILABLE FUNDS			
Cherry Sheet Receipts		247,413.00	
Motor Vehicle & Trailer Excise		102,846.26	
Licenses		3,016.99	
Fines		755.05	
General Government		1,722.69	
Health and Sanitation		14,561.74	
Protection of Persons and Property		158.00	
Sale of School Equipment		579.50	
Refund - Technical School		420.96	
Reimbursement - Group Insurance		5,601.60	
Reimbursement - Special Needs (Gill)		1,783.94	
Farm Animal, Machinery & Equipment Excise		2,916.13	
Interest Income		28,317.81	
Public Service Enterprises (Sewer Dept.)		18,719.33	
			$ 428,663.53
Overestimates:	State Recreation Area	554.31	
	Air Pollution Control	18.75	
	Special Education	2,312.00	
			2,885.06

Available Funds and Free Cash	159,253.94	
		159,253.94
TOTAL AVAILABLE FUNDS AND ESTIMATED RECEIPTS		590,952.00
TOTAL NET AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION ON PROPERTY		$1,119,253.40

FISCAL YEAR 1980 TAX RATE $38.00 per $1,000.00 VALUATION

	Valuation	Tax
Total Personal Property	$ 3,681,919.	$ 139,912.92
Total Real Estate	25,772,118.	979,340.48
TOTAL P/P and R/E	$29,454,037.	$1,119,253.40

Approximately each $29,400 appropriated at the annual Town Meeting represents $1.00 on the tax rate.

COMPUTATION OF TAX RATE

School Tax Rate	66%	$25.15
General Tax Rate	34%	12.85
TOTAL TAX RATE	100%	$38.00

ABATEMENTS ISSUED DURING THE YEAR 1979

Levy of	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980
Motor Vehicles	59.76	531.48	1,794.38	9,085.18	
Real & Personal Estate				259.18	4,805.31
Elderly Exemptions					22,326.18
Veterans Exemptions					3,850.00

Number of Motor Vehicles Taxes	2433	
Total Excise on Motor Vehicles	$ 121,785.41	
Total Assessed Valuation M/V	$2,208,690.00	

Motor Vehicle Incomplete - Compiled to December 31, 1979

We, the Board of Assessors, would like to express our thanks to all citizens and town officials for the cooperation and courtesy extended to the Board during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

William G. Roberts, Chairman
Warren E. Whitney, Clerk
Donald C. Henderson, Jr. (Resigned)

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT
CALENDAR YEAR 1979

GENERAL ACCOUNT

Balance January 1, 1979		$ 78,390.02
Receipts for the year		2,631,575.57
		$ 2,709,965.59
Payments per Warrants		2,640,838.40
Balance December 31, 1979		$ 69,127.19

Franklin County Trust Co.

Balance per Statement 12/31/79	$ 51,580.06	
Deposits in Transit	75,487.28	
	$127,067.34	
Outstanding Checks	58,879.12	
Balance per Check Book	$ 68,188.22	

State Street Bank & Trust Co.

Balance per Statement 12/31/79	938.97	$ 69,127.19

GENERAL ACCOUNT INVESTMENTS

Worcester County National Bank-Certif. of Dep.	$ 100,000.00
Pioneer National Bank - Certif. of Dep.	100,000.00
Franklin County Trust Co. - Certif. of Dep.	100,000.00
Mass. Municipal Depository Trust	240,574.85

Interest Earned on General Account - 1979

Franklin County Trust Co.	$ 6,638.36
Franklin Savings Institution	90.84
Worcester County National Bank	10,495.80
Mass. Municipal Depository Trust	18,979.84

FEDERAL REVENUE SHARING ACCOUNT

Balance January 1, 1979		$ 73,233.73
1979 Allotments		40,358.00
Interest Earned		7,272.67
		$120,864.40
Payments per Warrants		61,708.35
Balance December 31, 1979		$ 59,156.05

Franklin County Trust Co.

Balance per Statement 12/31/79	$ 3,820.95	
Mass. Munic. Depository Trust	55,335.10	$ 59,156.05

SEWER PROJECT

Balance January 1, 1979		$ 16,117.19
Receipt - E.P.A. Grant Payment		8,800.00
		$ 24,917.19
Payments per Warrants		10,234.38
Balance December 31, 1979		$ 14,682.81

Pioneer National Bank

Balance per Statement 12/31/79	$ 682.81	
Mass. Municipal Depository Trust	14,000.00	$ 14,682.81

STABILIZATION FUND

Balance January 1, 1979	$ 87,143.06
Interest Earned	10,290.81
Balance December 31, 1979	$ 97,433.87
Mass. Municipal Depository Trust	$ 97,433.87

P.W.E.A. - ANTI-RECESSION ACCOUNT

Balance January 1, 1979	$ 633.45
Balance December 31, 1979	$ 633.45

Franklin County Trust Co.

Balance per Statement 12/31/79	$ 633.45

C.E.T.A. - TITLE VI ACCOUNT

Balance January 1, 1979	$ 164.93
Payment per Warrant	164.93
Balance December 31, 1979	$ - 0 -

PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS

Federal Withholding Taxes	$ 50,326.81
Massachusetts Withholding Taxes	18,661.58
Franklin County Retirement System	10,469.78
Massachusetts Teachers' Retirement Board	11,628.71
Blue Cross/Blue Shield Health Insurance	7,683.32
Greenfield Savings Bank Life Insurance	149.40
Pioneer Valley Union Teachers' Assoc. Dues	2,372.72
Fr. Co. School Employees' Fed. Credit Union	12,195.00
Teachers' Annuities	6,171.52

TRUST FUNDS

Franklin Savings Institution

Library	Balance 1-1-79	'79 Int. Added	'79 Int. to Treas.	Balance 12-31-79
C. Ina Merriman Fd.	$1,092.92	$ 60.94		$ 1,153.86
Belcher Funds	9,739.01		$ 571.92	9,739.01
Marina Stanley Fd.	600.00		35.20	600.00
Maude Montague Fd.	2,009.60		117.96	2,009.60
C. P. Dickinson Fd.	3,000.00		176.16	3,000.00
Nfld. Chapt. D.A.R.	100.00		5.88	100.00
Charity				
Lottie Evans Fd.	2,484.51	149.11		2,633.62
Starkweather Fd.	14,235.56	854.52		15,090.08
Geo. F. Morgan Fd.	5,456.13	327.50		5,783.63
Roselle Evans Fd.	1,003.16	60.18		1,063.34
Elisha Alexander Fd.	4,377.56	262.75		4,640.31
School				
Belcher Ctr. Sch. Fd.	2,531.56	151.94		2,683.50
Surplus Revenue Fd.	1,600.00		93.92	1,600.00
Cemetery		Prin. Added		
A. Bigelow So. Mt. Cem.	157.25		9.20	157.25
Var. W. Nfld. Cem.	3,856.07	200.00	230.58	4,056.07
E. Priest W. Nfld.	11,470.44		673.56	11,470.44
L. Holton W. Nfld.	154.39		9.00	154.39
Var. Mt. Hermon	4,824.17	100.00	286.23	4,924.17
Callendar Mt. Herm.	786.08		46.12	786.08
Var. Nfld. Farms	7,724.17		453.56	7,724.17
Var. Center Cem.	21,179.70		1,243.72	21,179.70
Belcher Center Cem.	2,992.68		175.68	2,992.68
J. Cowles Center	3,145.67		184.72	3,145.67
C. Stearns Center	786.08		46.12	786.08
Flora Lane Center	308.07		18.04	308.07

LIST OF CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS

West Northfield Cemetery

Cecil Wilson	$ 100.00	Alice Dutton Yerrington	$ 150.00
George W. Snow	200.00	Hartley L. & Flora M. Bosworth	200.00
Caroline B. Lane	150.00	Leroy R. Barnes	100.00
Henry M. Yerrington	100.00	Doris Cutler	100.00
Pennock Fund	100.00	Jane F. Randolph	100.00
Cora B. Preston & Pitts W. Preston	100.00	Maurice A. & Leona A. Barrett	100.00
S. E. K. Priest	200.00	Abram Generous	100.00
George F. Witt	100.00	Roland F. Bardwell	200.00
Jane E. Evans	50.00		$ 2,825.00
Warena P. Miller	200.00		
Mary E. Bunker	200.00	Interest Redepos.	1,231.07
Edna M. Kelley	150.00		$ 4,056.07
Boyd Palmer	25.00		
Vernon Playful	100.00		

Center Cemetery

Nelson & Nettie Spring	$ 100.00	S. E. Walker	$ 200.00
Emma A. Haltnorth	100.00	J. I. Greenleaf	300.00
John F. Rice	100.00	M. Margaret Laird	100.00
Carpenter Winchester	100.00	Hezekiah & Elizabeth Stratton	80.00
Clinton A. Ware	150.00	Hezekiah & Mollie Stratton	80.00
George R. Stebbins	50.00	Rufus & Asenath Stratton	80.00
Charles Stebbins	100.00	William H. Phelps	200.00
Walter D. Crane	100.00	Elizabeth M. Purple	200.00
John E. Nye	100.00	Sarah Jane Whithead	50.00
Harvey J. Evans	50.00	Bessie Severance	100.00
Augustus W. Holton	100.00	Lewis Fowler	50.00
Thomas R. Callender	50.00	J. Wesley Mann	100.00
Johnson Fund	123.06	Andrew E. & Arthur H. Lyman	400.00
Mary L. Wright	125.00	Edward B. Stearns	50.00
M. Bemis & Otis Field	50.00	Benjamin F. Field & Charles Pomeroy	100.00
Charles Blackmer	50.00	Charles Osgood	500.00
Alvin Long	50.00	Louis Frederick Bartlett	100.00
Isaac Cook & Wright Stratton	100.00	Sherman Nye Bartlett	100.00
John L. Mattoon	100.00	Rose A. Holton	100.00
Levi Fay	150.00	C. D. Merriam & Cornelius Hilliard	300.00
Sarah E. Minot	150.00	Cora B. Preston & Asa Holton	100.00
James Pickard	100.00	Frank & William Piper	100.00
Augusta L. Day	100.00	L. O. Clapp Lot	100.00
Elijar Belding	125.00	Hachita Lots	440.00
James White	100.00	Samuel & Elijar Merriman	1,760.00
Arad Webster & William Billings	500.00	Mary V. H. Slade	125.00
Katherine Gaeng	100.00	Mrs. George Spofford	200.00
Elijar E. Belding	100.00	Mary B. Rankin	100.00
A. M. D. Alexander	300.00	Daniel F. Sutherland	100.00
Charles Alexander & Richard Colton	200.00	George N. Kidder	500.00
Adelaide W. Moody	100.00	Tie' - Webster Lot	100.00
Louis M. Potts	200.00	Frank & Jennie Lombard	100.00
Amos Shepardson & Anna S. Preston	150.00	Jessamine W. Polhemus	100.00
Bessie Moore	100.00	Herbert E. Robbins	200.00
Elizabeth P. Kraft	100.00	Nellie Nye	400.00
Maximilla S. Hachita	100.00	Fred A. Bogart	100.00
Albert S. Brigham	100.00		
George E. Nye	200.00		

Dorothy P. Bruce	150.00	Francis S. Bemis	300.00
Dr. Stratton White & George & William Hastings	300.00	Harold B. Stratton	200.00
		Mary Isabel Newton	100.00
William R. Moody	100.00		$ 13,738.06
Mrs. Norman MacGaffin	50.00	Interest Redeposited	7,441.64
Clara B. Torrey	100.00		$ 21,179.70
Roselle Evans	50.00		

Mount Hermon Cemetery

Henry F. Cutler	$ 100.00	Julia Pierce, Edward & Barbara Blake	$ 100.00
L. Lorimer Drury	100.00	Jessie H. Hyde	100.00
Horace F. Holton	100.00	Julia Mary Stark	100.00
Alice V. Watson	150.00	William Eberhardt	100.00
Anna Bell McMillan	100.00	L. Lorimer Drury Family	100.00
Charles T. Sibley	200.00	Jane E. Nunn, William & Sarah Eberhardt	100.00
Lewis Hodus	200.00	Joseph D. Costogue	200.00
Roy R. Hatch	100.00	Elizabeth P. White & Marjorie Skogland	100.00
Joseph S. Castogue	100.00	Pauline Alexander	100.00
Charles D. Streeter	200.00	Frank W. & Agnes Pearsall	100.00
Mary J. & Anna L. Miller	200.00	Kathryn S. Livingston	100.00
Marion Fish Giersbach	100.00		$ 3,350.00
Alice Mosse	100.00	Interest Redeposited	1,574.17
S. Douglas & Ruth A. Polhemus	100.00		$4,924.17
Jane E. Holton	100.00		
Claire H. & Alfred D. Montague	100.00		
Marjorie W. Prescott	100.00		

Northfield Farms Cemetery

Retta R. Barrett	$ 100.00	Elisha & Elihu Stratton	$ 200.00
James Browning & Robert Washer	100.00	William H. Stratton	100.00
		Mary A. Stratton	100.00
Ada Chamberlain & Sarah Morgan	75.00	Samuel W. & William G. Slate	100.00
Eva J. S. Clough	200.00	Leroy Weatherhead	75.00
M. Maria Foss	200.00	Oscar & Frank V. Wood	50.00
Ernest C. Field	100.00	Jennie L. Bascomb	150.00
Elisa Graves	51.69	Herbert Dutton	100.00
Brigham Gage & David Clowes	100.00	Murray Hammond	100.00
		Nettie Gilbert	300.00
Charles L. Gilbert	200.00	George H. Pratt	100.00
George M. Chamberlain	75.00	Lawrence A. Comins	100.00
Samuel A. Holton	200.00	Clayton P. B. Miller	100.00
Elvira A. Morgan	50.00	Lincoln E. Warner	100.00
James & William Merriam	100.00	William M. Barnes	100.00
Inez E. Holton	50.00	George W. Stratton	250.00
Henry W. Montague	400.00	Bertha S. Hammond	200.00
Charles C. Morgan	100.00	Gracie F. Slate	100.00
Samuel Pratt	25.00	Charles F. Lincoln	100.00
Larkin Fisher, Frank & Lucy Ross	50.00	Edward J. McKenna	100.00
			$ 5,151.69
Fred W. Ruggles	100.00	Interest Redeposited	2,572.48
Ashael & Alner Sawyer	100.00		$ 7,724.17
Marcellus D. Stratton	100.00		
Rufus Stratton & Oren D. Darling	150.00		

Respectfully submitted,

Grace T. Young

TREASURER

TOWN ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF SELECTMEN AND CITIZENS OF THE TOWN OF NORTHFIELD:

In compliance with the provisions of Section 61, Chapter 41 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, I submit the fiscal year report of the Accounting Department ending June 30, 1979. Included are the source of all receipts, detail of appropriations and expenditures, statement of trust funds, and a balance sheet showing the financial condition of the Town on July 1, 1979.

All invoices and payrolls presented were examined for accuracy and legality before being submitted to the Board of Selectmen. The Treasurer's Cash was verified and found to be correct.

I wish to express my sincere thanks to all departments for their cooperation during the past fiscal year.

Respectfully submitted,

Ethel D. Fowler

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

BALANCE SHEET
TOWN OF NORTHFIELD

Fiscal Year Ending June 10, 1979

ASSETS		AMOUNT
Cash		
General		543,638.59
Federal Revenue Sharing		74,017.84
Anti-Recession		633.45
Accounts Receivable		
1978 Personal Property Tax Levy	7.40	
1979 Real Estate Levy	9,918.31	
1979 Pers. Prop. Levy	773.53	10,699.24
Motor Vehicle Excise		
1976 Levy	59.76	
1977 Levy	349.98	
1978 Levy	1,921.65	
1979 Levy	32,914.84	35,246.23
Spec.Taxes, Real Estate,Sec.37A Ch.60		444.77
Sewer Use		
1977 Added to Taxes	280.00	
1977 Committed Interest	27.26	
1978 Levy	1,683.30	
1979 Levy	22,080.30	24,070.86
Tax Titles & Possessions		
Tax Titles	6,813.53	
Possessions	1,573.97	8,387.50
Aid to Sewer Project		
Federal	31,460.00	
State	997.00	32,457.00
Departmental		
Sewer Dept.		180.12
State Aid to Highways		63,522.00
County Dog Care		60.00
Payroll Deductions		
Group Health Insurance		18.66
1980 Revenue		1,403,017.48
Loans Authorized		
Sewer Const. Art. 6 1/19/76	414,500.00	
Inflow & Infil. Surv. Art. 46 5/3/76	31,000.00	
Sewer Syst. in Town Art. 40 5/3/77	13,500.00	459,000.00
Underestimate 1979		
County Tax		4,014.95
Overlay Deficit		
Levy of 1979		3,127.21
Appropriation Deficit		
Snow Removal		9,459.76
		$ 2,671,995.66

LIABILITIES & RESERVES		AMOUNT
Temporary Loan in Antic. of Reimbursement		8,482.00
Payroll Deductions		
Group Health Insurance	134.64	
Group Life Insurance	1.98	136.62
Collector's Costs		301.00
Tailings		
Unclaimed Checks		85.94
Gift to Conservation Commission		10.00
Trust Funds Income		
Library	3,737.96	
P. C. Cemeteries	3,599.69	7,337.65
Revolving Fund		
School Lunch		1,385.65
Agency		
Meals Tax		1.43
Federal Grants		
Title II Library Extension	15.56	
Title III Nat.Def. Education	4.76	
Title IV B 1979	159.96	180.28
Appropriation Balances 1979		
General	170,160.73	
Anti-Recession	633.45	
Fed. Rev. Shar.	15,011.20	185,805.38
Appropriations 1980		
General	1,529,771.42	
Fed. Rev. Shar.	43,027.71	1,572,799.13
Loans Authorized & Unissued		459,000.00
Overestimates 1979		
State Parks & Reservations	554.31	
Special Education	2,312.00	
P.V.Air Poll. Cont. Bd.	18.75	2,885.06
Sale of Real Estate		5,569.37
Receipts Reserved for Appropriation		
Sale of Cemetery Lots	5,499.12	
Road Machinery Fund	199.65	
Fed. Rev. Shar.	15,978.93	21,677.70
Overlay Reserved for Abatements		
Levy of 1978		7.40
Reserve Fund		
Overlay Surplus		72,225.53
Revenues Reserved Until Collected		
Aid to Sew. Trtmt. Plant	23,975.00	
Motor Vehicle Excise	35,246.23	
Sewer Use	24,070.86	
Special Taxes	444.77	
Tax Titles & Possessions	8,387.50	
Departmentals	180.12	
State Aid to Highways	63,522.00	155,826.48
Surplus Revenue		178,279.04
		$ 2,671,995.66

RECEIPTS

Investment of General Cash		$ 740,000.00
Investment of Revenue Sharing Funds		23,000.00
Temp. Note in Antic. of Fed. Aid. Project (Sewer)		25,000.00
Taxes:		
1978 Real Estate	9,502.32	
1978 Personal Property	808.72	10,311.04
1979 Real Estate	906,356.94	
1979 Personal Property	135,754.04	1,042,110.98
Motor Vehicle Excise:		
Levy of 1976	34.65	
Levy of 1977	6,485.52	
Levy of 1978	46,948.08	
Levy of 1979	61,039.62	114,507.87
Farm Animal Excise		
Levy of 1978		2,916.13
Sewer Use:		
Levy of 1977 Added to Taxes	1,308.97	
Levy of 1978	18,067.42	
Levy of 1979	1,193.70	
1977 Committed Interest	122.51	20,692.60
Tax Titles Redeemed		2,085.72
Accounts Receivable:		
Sewer Dumping	746.21	
Veterans' Benefits (State)	3,567.44	4,313.65
State Aid to Highways (Chap. 90)		51,326.00
Agencies:		
Federal Withholding Taxes	44,909.45	
State Withholding Taxes	17,004.48	
Meals Tax	67.68	
County Retirement	9,963.84	
Teachers' Retirement	9,741.84	
Group Insurance	10,009.91	
Life Insurance	211.50	
Frank. Co. Sch. Emp. Fed. Cr. Union	9,375.00	
Teachers' Dues	2,254.00	
County Dog Care	674.00	
Dog Licenses Collected for County	991.10	
Tax Collector's Costs	1,198.00	106,400.80
County & State Aid:		
State Aid to Libraries	926.25	
County Dog Fund	527.69	1,453.94
Perpetual Care Trust Funds		475.00
Trust Funds Income:		
Charity	814.98	
Center School	74.87	
Dickinson Library	936.58	
Perpetual Care, Cemeteries	3,362.49	5,188.92
Federal Grant		
Title IVB P.L. 93-380 (School)		1,654.96
CETA Title VI		8,907.65
Federal Revenue Sharing:		
Entitlements	35,776.00	
Interest	6,709.62	42,485.62
School Lunch:		
Sales	11,007.07	
State	9,537.83	20,544.90
Sale of Cemetery Lots		115.00
Road Machinery Fund		756.90
Insurance Claim - Police Dept.		181.10
Gifts		20.00
Stabilization Fund:		
From Investments	77,000.00	
Interest	13,742.20	90,742.20
Tailings (Uncashed Checks)		85.94
Refunds to Appropriation Accounts		535.43
Receipts from Commonwealth:		
School, Chapter 70	61,466.00	
School, Chapter 71	17,146.00	
Elderly Exemptions	6,574.12	
R. E. Abate. to Widows	525.00	
Lottery	11,289.00	
Loss of Taxes on Land	22,478.89	
Local Aid	12,886.00	
Add'l. Assist. 1978 Deficit	1,831.29	
Highways, Chapter 497	29,391.00	
Highways, Chapter 825 Sec. 3	35,875.00	199,462.30
Estimated Receipts:		
Town Clerk & Selectmen Licenses		187.00
Plumbing Licenses & Permits		237.00
Disposal & Septic Permits		26.00
Other Board of Health Licenses		8.50
Liquor Licenses		1,047.00
Police Permits		538.00
Bicycle Registrations		1.50
Accident Reports		190.00
Building Permits		1,084.50
Building Inspections		948.99
Wiring Permits		200.50
Selectmen's Expense		2.69
Copier Use		218.92
Accountant's Supplies		9.00
Treasurer's Supplies		8.25
Tax Title Fees		15.50
Sale of Assessors' Maps		2.50
Sale of Planning Board Maps		62.00
Rent, Town Hall		490.00
Rent, Alexander Hall		16.00
Board of Appeals Adv. Reimbursement		200.00
District Court Fines		2,980.00
Nurse's Fees		13,853.21
Nurse's Expense		.59
Sale of 1954 Maxim Fire Truck		2,176.00
Sale of Scrap Glass		68.37
Landfill Use		100.00
Highway Dept. Damages		125.20
Sale of School Desks & Lost Book		579.50
School Tuition		136.60
Library Fines & Lost Book		199.71
Library Copier Use		14.50
Recreation Comm. - Swimming Fees		206.00
Sale of Tercentenary Merchandise		36.05

Conserv. Comm. Notice of Intent	25.00
Ambulance Service	3,000.00
Group Insurance Reimb. (B.C.-B.S.)	13.00
Group Insurance Reimb. (Leyden)	200.00
Interest on Surp. Rev. Sch. Fund	93.92
Interest on Taxes & Tax Titles	1,530.45
Interest on Court Fines	11.22
Interest on Investments	30,571.15
Total Receipts (Revenue Sharing)	65,485.62
(Other)	2,511,203.35
Cash on Hand 7/1/78 (Rev. Shar.)	16,264.74
(Other)	103,470.33
	$ 2,696,424.04

RECAPITULATION

	Approp.	Spent	Balance
Moderator & Expense	100.00	89.00	11.00
Selectmen's Salaries	2,875.50	2,875.50	---
Selectmen's Secretary	2,827.00	2,827.00	---
Selectmen's Expense	2,000.00	1,877.51	122.49
Copy Mach.Paper,Repairs & Supplies	1,000.00	950.09	49.91
Accountant Salary	4,000.00	4,000.00	---
Accountant's Expense	200.00	201.32	---
Treasurer's Salary	2,560.00	2,560.00	---
Treasurer's Expense	1,450.00	1,308.12	141.88
Tax Collector's Salary	2,415.00	2,415.00	---
Tax Collector's Expense	2,000.00	1,900.16	380.96
Tax Title & Foreclosure Costs	350.00	132.24	217.76
Protection of Tax Title Property	25.00	---	25.00
Assessors' & Clerk Salaries	4,560.00	4,560.00	---
Assessors' Expenses	2,200.00	2,059.39	140.61
Assessors' Revaluation	697.21	---	697.21
Town Clerk's Salary	1,447.00	1,447.00	---
Town Clerk's Expenses	200.00	200.00	---
Election & Registration	2,500.00	2,519.84	---
Legal Expense	5,000.00	4,369.92	630.08
Legal Expense (1978)	291.66	291.66	---
Planning Board Expense	700.00	274.36	425.64
Finance Committee Expense	75.00	50.00	25.00
Board of Appeals Expense	250.00	64.30	185.70
Town Hall Expense	12,000.00	9,214.31	2,635.69
Police Chief Salary	14,734.00	13,407.83	1,326.17
Police Department Secretary	2,827.00	2,827.00	---
Special Police Wages	7,200.00	7,153.63	46.37
Special Police Wages (1978)	540.00	540.00	---
Police Chief Vacation Replace.Acct.	1,000.00	612.20	387.80
Police Dept. Oper. Exp. & Equip.	9,000.00	8,958.37	222.73
Fire Department Salaries	850.00	850.00	---
Fire Department Operating Expense	9,500.00	9,550.36	---
Fire Truck	76,977.95	76,977.95	---
Maintenance of Fire St. & Garage	4,500.00	4,419.01	80.99
" " " " " " (1978)	569.45	569.45	---
Fire Dept. Hose & Equipment	2,500.00	2,490.23	9.77
Hydrants	500.00	500.00	---
Water Holes	1,000.00	---	1,000.00
" " (1978)	1,000.00	136.64	863.36
Public Safety	100.00	100.00	---
Wire Inspector	1,200.00	1,200.00	---
Tree Trim & Plant	3,400.00	3,390.98	9.02
Dutch Elm Control	3,000.00	3,000.00	---
Insect & Pest Control	413.06	413.06	---
Dog Officer & Expense	400.00	329.63	76.37
Civil Defense	1,868.00	1,005.64	862.36
Building Commissioner	4,000.00	4,000.00	---
Building Comm. Expense	450.00	287.86	162.14
Board of Health Salaries	618.00	575.62	42.38
Board of Health Expenses	2,000.00	1,065.24	934.76
Mental Health & Retardation Serv.	2,431.00	2,431.00	---
Mosquito Control	3,250.00	2,610.00	640.00
Sanitary Landfill	9,500.00	12,446.99	53.01
Nurse & Substitute Salaries	13,780.00	14,035.28	---
Nurse's Unused Vac. & Overtime	765.00	765.00	---
Nurse's Expense	800.00	671.33	128.67
Nurse's Clerk	2,827.00	2,827.00	---
Nurse's Car Expense	500.00	525.99	---
Homemaker/Home Health Aide	5,000.00	6,826.97	---
" " " " (1978)	1,109.06	1,109.06	---
Inspection of Animals	477.00	390.00	87.00
Sewer Commissioners' Salaries	618.00	618.00	---
Sewer Commissioners' Expenses	75.00	---	75.00
Operation & Maint. Sewer Plant	25,835.00	27,542.16	---
Highway Superintendent's Expense	750.00	696.23	53.77
Hwy. Sick, Vacations, Holidays	8,172.00	5,598.74	2,573.26
Highway Tools	1,500.00	1,368.31	131.69
" " (1978)	133.83	133.83	---
Machinery Maintenance	34,000.00	34,723.27	21.96
Highways, Bridges, Railings	50,000.00	48,260.31	1,739.69
Chapter 765 Construction 1977	16,754.74	16,754.74	---
Street Lights	28,000.00	22,709.02	5,290.98
Hwy. Bounds, Surveys, St. Lists	50.00	---	50.00
Soldiers' Relief	6,000.00	1,924.70	4,075.30
Elem. School Comm. Salaries	835.00	835.00	---
Elementary School	387,382.00	334,336.32	14,254.36
Pioneer Valley Regional School	402,285.03	361,229.92	41,055.11
Frank. County Tech. School	124,118.29	118,983.47	5,134.82
Dickinson Memorial Library	26,685.88	26,060.87	651.01
Field Library	250.00	250.00	---
Reserve Fund	8,000.00	8,000.00	---
Recreation Comm. Programs	6,000.00	5,972.80	27.20
Ambulance Service	6,000.00	6,000.00	---
Town Reports	1,500.00	1,023.66	476.34
Memorial & Veterans' Days	525.00	540.02	---
Alexander Hall	400.00	352.55	47.45
Audit Town's Funds	5,000.00	1,496.82	3,503.18
Insurance	30,000.00	21,130.77	8,928.23
Insurance (1978)	6,340.00	6,340.00	---
Employer's Group. Insur.Prem. (Chap.32B)	22,500.00	20,371.73	2,128.27
Unemployment Insurance	4,500.00	4,304.28	195.72
Town Clock	150.00	58.50	91.50
Land Damage	100.00	---	100.00
Historical Society Building	200.00	195.25	4.75
Fence Viewers, Pound Keepers, Field Drivers	25.00	---	25.00
Maintenance of Athletic Field	600.00	407.03	192.97
Interest	900.00	741.51	158.49
Historical Commission	200.00	209.40	.60
Historic District Study Committee	200.00	209.21	---
Trout	300.00	300.00	---
Trout (1978)	300.00	300.00	---
Homecare & Nutrition-Senior Citizens	500.00	500.00	---
Conservation Commission Expense	200.00	159.53	40.47
Microfilm Historical Records Comm.	1,500.00	1,584.92	.08
Cemeteries	2,000.00	419.44	1,580.56

Debt Serv.-E.St. Sewer Project	25,000.00	25,000.00	---
Unexpended Balances to Revenue			$ 105,229.59
Gulf Road	10,527.71	10,527.71	---
Cabinets & Counters for Town Hall	1,100.00	1,070.84	29.16
Boiler Repairs - Town Hall	2,500.00	1,997.32	502.68
Raise Burner in Town Hall	150.00	148.55	1.45
Police Cruiser	6,000.00	5,746.62	253.38
Four-Mile Brook Road	10,395.73	10,395.73	---
One-Ton Truck	11,000.00	11,000.00	---
Two-Yard Sander Body	2,800.00	2,128.04	671.96
Eleven-Foot Snow Plow	2,600.00	2,281.62	318.38
Insulation - Dickinson Library	2,500.00	2,243.00	257.00
Storm Windows - Dickinson Library	1,500.00	1,382.00	118.00
Unexpended Balances to Fed. Rev. Shar.			$ 2,152.01
Town Hall	12,000.00	9,214.31	150.00
Heat. Equip. for Amer. Leg. Room	850.00	---	850.00
Renov. Town Offices & Cler. Assist.	633.45	---	633.45
Draperies for Town Hall Dining Room	1,000.00	---	1,000.00
Repair Parapet & Chimney, Town Hall	2,000.00	6.55	1,993.45
Sewer Project	7,524.17	394.83	7,129.34
Infil./Inflow Sewer Sys.Eval.Surv.	11,110.23	3,138.73	7,971.50
E.St. Surface Water Drainage Proj.	2,000.00	---	2,000.00
Engineering Servey,Sewer System	25,025.34	---	25,025.34
Easements for Sewers	100.00	---	100.00
Legal Fees & Surveys for Sewers	2,060.46	---	2,060.46
Chapter 356 Const. 1978	36,626.00	16,205.61	20,420.39
Chapter 356 Const. 1979	36,626.00	---	36,626.00
Pentecost Road	354.71	123.30	231.41
Oil & Stone S. Mtn. Rd. (Rt. 63 to 4-Mi. Brk. Rd.)	21,000.00	17,888.43	3,111.57
Oil & Stone S. Mtn. Rd. (Gulf Rd. to 4-Mi. Brk. Rd.)	14,000.00	338.80	13,661.20
Oil & Stone Linden Avenue	2,100.00	1,341.00	759.00
Oil & Stone Luckey Clapp Rd.	2,500.00	---	2,500.00
Evaluate & Rate Bridges	10,000.00	---	10,000.00
Survey Boundaries of Cert.Town Ways	6,895.00	70.00	6,825.00
Rent Chipper, Hwy. Dept.	1,664.65	787.50	877.15
Electrical Work, Town Garage	588.80	---	588.80
Sidewalks	2,000.00	---	2,000.00
Elementary School	387,382.00	334,336.32	38,791.32
Land Survey, Dunnell Property	500.00	---	500.00
Unexpended Balances to 1980			$ 185,805.38
Snow Removal	29,000.00	38,459.76	
Deficit to 1980			9,459.76
Investments of General Cash			910,092.55
Investments of Rev. Shar. Funds			34,606.65
Temporary Loans, Sewer Project			25,000.00
Refunds on Motor Vehicle Excises			1,967.39
Refunds on Taxes			560.95
Agencies:			
Federal Withholding Taxes	44,909.45		
State Withholding Taxes	17,004.48		
County Retirement	9,963.84		
Teachers' Retirement	9,741.84		
Group Insurance	10,689.86		
Life Insurance	223.02		
Credit Union	9,375.00		
Teachers' Association Dues	2,254.00		
County Dog Licenses	1,098.35		
County Dog Care	634.00		
Tax Collector's Costs	1,065.00		106,958.84
Tailings			14.00
Perpetual Care Trust Funds to Savings Acct.			475.00
Trust Funds Income to Savings Accounts:			
Library	29.46		
School	74.87		
Charity	814.98		919.31
Stabilization Fund Interest to Investment Account			13,742.20
Marina Stanley Library Fund			56.44
Perpetual Care, Cemeteries			2,627.69
Title IV B P.L. 93-380			1,495.80
School Lunch			19,914.10
Meals Tax			65.90
CETA Title VI: Brush Cutting Proj.	7,478.30		
CETA Title VI: Returned to CETA	6,564.93		14,043.23
State and County Assessments:			
State Parks & Reservations	13,646.31		
Motor Vehicle Tax Bills	392.40		
State Audit	6.87		
Pioneer Valley Air Pollution Cont.	427.37		
County Tax	48,930.02		
County Retirement System	17,885.00		
Veterans' Service Center	3,633.85		84,921.82
Total Payments (Rev. Shar.)			79,339.17
(Anti-Recession)			118.03
(CETA)			14,043.23
(General)			2,576,332.93
Cash on Hand 6/30/79 (Rev. Shar.)			2,411.19
(Anti-Recess.)			633.45
(General)			23,546.04
			$ 2,696,424.04

MODERATOR AND EXPENSE

Appropriation		100.00
Salary	54.00	
Association Dues	5.00	
Sound System	30.00	89.00
Balance to Revenue	11.00	100.00

SELECTMEN'S EXPENSES

Appropriation		2,000.00
Supplies	428.70	
Lamp (1/3)	10.97	
Tape Recorder	68.95	
Telephone	479.99	
Advertising	48.08	
Association Dues	253.75	
Law Books	230.50	
Meetings	52.50	
Mileage	201.78	
Gifts	102.29	1,877.51
Balance to Revenue	122.49	2,000.00

ACCOUNTANT'S EXPENSES

Appropriation		200.00
Transfer		1.32
Supplies	166.32	
Dues & Meetings	35.00	201.32

TREASURER'S EXPENSES

Appropriation		1,450.00
Supplies	845.37	
Mileage & Meetings	94.59	
Office Mach. Serv. & Repair	105.75	
Association Dues	15.00	
Telephone	17.41	
Note Certification Fees	50.00	
Treasurer's Bond	180.00	1,308.12
Balance to Revenue	141.88	1,450.00

TAX COLLECTOR'S EXPENSES

Appropriation		2,000.00
Transfer		281.12
Supplies	1,092.49	
Tax Collector's School	22.30	
Collector's & Deputy's Bonds	309.00	
Association Dues	15.00	
Telephone	4.35	
Off. Equip. Service	88.80	
Computer Service	368.22	1,900.16
Balance to Revenue	380.96	2,281.12

ASSESSORS' EXPENSES

Appropriation		2,200.00
Supplies	346.95	
Book Binding	126.00	
Registry of Deeds	188.00	
Telephone	23.65	
Meetings & Mileage	69.60	
Computer Service	875.10	
Association Dues	63.00	
Map Service	367.09	2,059.39
Balance to Revenue	140.61	2,200.00

TOWN CLERK'S EXPENSES

Appropriation		200.00
Supplies	45.80	
Postage	45.00	
Telephone	32.86	
Clerk's Bond	20.00	
Advertising	56.34	200.00

ELECTION & REGISTRATION

Appropriation		2,500.00
Transfer		19.84
Registrars	859.00	
Election Officials	1,237.50	
Street Lists & Exp.	89.40	
Ballots	276.91	
Supplies	57.03	2,519.84

PLANNING BOARD EXPENSE

Appropriation		700.00
Postage	1.21	
Telephone	5.93	
Advertising	18.38	
Association Dues	30.00	
Mileage	18.84	
Agri. Land Map Kit	200.00	274.36
Balance to Revenue	425.64	700.00

BOARD OF APPEALS EXPENSES

Appropriation		250.00
Association Dues	15.00	
Postage	10.42	
Advertising	38.88	64.30
Balance to Revenue	185.70	250.00

TOWN HALL

Appropriation		12,000.00
Custodians	3,021.00	
Highway Payroll	45.75	
Electricity	1,404.10	
Fuel	3,684.63	
Water	88.02	
Boiler Room Repairs	244.70	
Supplies & Repairs	726.11	9,214.31
Balance to Revenue	2,635.69	
Balance to 1980	150.00	12,000.00

POLICE DEPARTMENT OPERATING EXPENSES

Appropriation		9,000.00
Insurance on Cruiser		181.10
Gasoline	3,419.38	
Other Cruiser Expense	838.57	
Elect. for Gas. Pump	119.76	
Supplies	898.34	
Lamp (1/3)	10.97	
Uniforms & Cleaning	489.90	
Equipment Repair	582.75	
Telephones (Incl. Ans. Serv.)	2,598.70	8,958.37
Balance to Revenue	222.73	9,181.10

FIRE DEPARTMENT OPERATING EXPENSES

Appropriation		9,500.00
Transfer		27.86
Refund		22.50
Payroll	5,349.39	
Supplies & Repairs	2,939.31	
Telephones & Remotes	1,127.55	
Dues	60.00	
Food	74.11	9,550.36

MAINTENANCE OF FIRE STATION & GARAGE

Appropriation		4,500.00
Electricity	1,874.55	
Repairs & Supplies	280.62	
Fuel	2,184.00	
Water	79.84	4,419.01
Balance to Revenue	80.99	4,500.00

DUTCH ELM CONTROL

Appropriation		3,000.00
Payroll	1,498.84	
Tree Removal	1,326.21	
Supplies & Repairs	174.95	3,000.00

DOG OFFICER AND EXPENSES

Appropriation		400.00
Payroll	144.00	
Mileage & Expenses	179.63	323.63
Balance to Revenue	76.37	400.00

CIVIL DEFENSE

Appropriation		1,868.00
Mileage	118.08	
Telephone	4.72	
16 M.M. Projector	35.00	
Transport Weapons Carrier	261.00	
FM Radio for " "	500.00	
Parts & Serv. " "	86.84	1,005.64
Balance to Revenue	862.36	1,868.00

BUILDING COMMISSIONER EXPENSE

Appropriation		450.00
Mileage	162.96	
Supplies	25.00	
Office File	99.90	287.86
Balance to Revenue	162.14	450.00

HEALTH EXPENSES

Appropriation		2,000.00
Supplies	81.49	
Clinic Nurse	10.00	
Health Officer	165.00	
Plumbing Inspector	130.00	
Telephone	98.75	
Vital Statistics	88.00	
Dues	12.00	
Nurse's Supervisor	480.00	1,065.24
Balance to Revenue	934.76	2,000.00

SANITARY LANDFILL

Appropriation		9,500.00
Transfer		3,000.00
Attendents	4,466.00	
Highway Payroll	167.78	
Hired Machinery	5,593.70	
Exterminator	101.00	
Fill	1,969.03	
Repair Gate	4.22	
Supplies	6.26	
Calcium Chloride	139.00	12,446.99

NURSE'S EXPENSE

Appropriation		800.00
Supplies	304.11	
Lamps	42.41	
Cost Report	40.00	
Meetings	35.55	
Telephone	199.26	
Malpractice Insurance	50.00	671.33
Balance to Revenue	128.67	800.00

NURSE'S CAR EXPENSE

Appropriation		500.00
Transfer		25.99
Gasoline	266.71	
Inspection	4.00	
Highway Payroll	74.25	
Hwy. Dept. Parts	26.56	
Other	154.47	525.99

OPERATION & MAINTENANCE OF SEWER PLANT

Appropriation		25,835.00
Transfer		1,707.16
Attendents	15,782.96	
Highway Payroll	27.60	
Billing	325.00	
Repairs & Supplies	2,693.43	
Blacktop	118.80	
Telephone	201.84	
Electricity	4,888.51	
Mileage	10.32	
Canadian Railroad	25.00	
Water	158.00	
Hired Machinery	1,926.25	
Engineering Services	1,160.01	
Parker St. Sewer Rental	224.44	27,542.16

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT'S EXPENSE

Appropriation		750.00
Telephone	474.97	
Calculator	88.85	
Advertising	13.10	
Supplies	119.31	696.23
Balance to Revenue	53.77	

HIGHWAY SICK, VACATIONS, HOLIDAYS

Appropriation		8,172.00
Holidays	2,165.12	
Vacations	2,269.14	
Sick	1,164.48	5,598.74
Balance to Revenue	2,573.26	8,172.00

SNOW REMOVAL

Appropriation		29,000.00
Payroll (Regular)	6,629.28	
" (Overtime)	5,730.53	
Salt	14,848.92	
Sand	9,401.16	
Hired Equipment	381.00	
Sidewalks	1,418.00	38,459.76
Deficit to 1980	9,459.76	29,000.00

MACHINERY MAINTENANCE

Appropriation		32,500.00
Machinery Earnings		1,500.00
Transfer		745.23
From Other Departments		91.88
Payroll	8,904.46	
Gasoline	11,546.19	

Repairs & Supplies	14,730.42	
Advertising	34.08	34,815.15
Balance to Revenue	21.96	34,837.11

HIGHWAYS, BRIDGES & RAILINGS

Appropriations		50,000.00
Payroll	27,147.03	
Material	18,513.79	
Hired Machinery	2,547.60	
Advertising	51.89	48,260.31
Balance to Revenue	1,739.69	50,000.00

CHAPTER 356 CONST. (Form. Ch. 90) 1978

Balance		36,626.00
Mt. Hermon St. Rd.		
Payroll	2,357.85	
Materials	12,495.75	
Hired Machinery	490.90	
Town Machinery	331.05	
Gulf Road		
Payroll	185.60	
Town Machinery	93.90	
Material	250.56	16,205.61
Balance to 1980	20,420.39	

CHAPTER 765 CONST. (Form. Ch. 90) 1977

Balance		16,754.74
Mt. Hermon St. Rd.		
Payroll	1,607.26	
Materials	14,591.53	
Town Machinery	555.95	16,754.74

FOUR-MILE BROOK ROAD

Balance		10,395.73
Payroll	870.05	
Material	8,499.68	
Hired Machinery	1,026.00	10,395.73

OIL & STONE SO. MTN. RD. (Rt. 63- 4-Mi.Brk.Rd.)

Appropriation		15,000.00
Rev. Shar. Funds		6,000.00
Payroll	4,739.41	
Materials	12,423.77	
Hired Machinery	725.25	17,888.43
Balance to 1980	3,111.57	21,000.00

OIL & STONE LINDEN AVENUE

Appropriation		2,100.00
Payroll	466.00	
Materials	875.00	1,341.00
Balance to 1980	759.00	2,100.00

DICKINSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Appropriation		25,374.00
Dog Fund		385.63
State Aid		926.25
Gifts		26.00
Librarians	12,561.38	
Custodian	2,400.00	
Electricity	805.39	
Telephone	255.68	
Building Supplies & Repairs	52.56	
Tune Piano	25.00	
Window Shades	235.50	
Speaker & Cable	65.25	
Copy Machine	845.00	
Dehumidifier & Fans	357.95	
Copy Paper	261.30	
Papers & Magazines	329.64	
Books	5,569.91	
Library Supplies	513.93	
Fuel	1,627.18	
Water	61.00	
Field Library	75.00	
Mileage	19.20	26,060.87
Balance to Revenue	651.01	26,711.88

MARINA STANLEY BOOK FUND INTEREST

Balance		88.19
Interest Receipts		35.20
Books	56.44	
Balance to 1980	66.95	123.39

SCHOOL

Appropriation		387,382.00
Teachers' Salaries	165,505.63	
Superintendent's Salary	7,075.92	
Admin. Asst. Salary	2,947.92	
Clerks	5,930.08	
Custodians	15,548.25	
Travel	898.08	
Nurse	2,699.04	
Transportation	33,660.45	
Textbooks	1,741.33	
Student Supplies	7,402.31	
Visual Aids	950.77	
Testing Services	316.14	
Course Reimbursement	607.41	
Sundry Education	1,151.95	
Special Needs	43,108.69	
Census Enumerator	150.00	
Advertising	144.94	
Counsel Fees	38.50	
Comm. Exp./Memb.	397.10	
Professional Dues	59.85	
Principal's Office Supplies	71.94	
Physician's Salary	500.00	
Health Supplies	52.76	
Janitor Supplies	1,524.13	
Fuel	17,023.99	
Telephone	515.72	
Water	1,813.45	
Electricity	9,105.72	
Repairs & Maintenance	4,121.96	
Replace. Equipment	3,685.14	
Special Project	1,875.00	
Insurance	506.36	
Supt's. Office Expense	2,463.20	
New Equipment	742.59	334,336.32
Teachers' Salaries to 1980	28,645.44	
Spec. Needs " " "	2,948.36	

Maint. Projects " "	7,197.52	
Balance to Revenue	14,254.36	387,416.44

RECREATION COMMITTEE PROGRAMS

Appropriation		6,000.00
Rec. Director Salary	1,200.00	
Summer Playground Payroll	2,226.66	
" " Supplies & Expenses	1,124.06	
Other Instructors	547.00	
Movies	250.00	
Rent Tennis Courts & Pool	532.50	
Winter Carnival	90.00	
Telephone	2.58	5,972.80
Balance to Revenue	27.20	6,000.00

MEMORIAL & VETERANS' DAYS

Appropriation		525.00
Transfer		15.02
Flags	250.02	
Loud Speaker System	30.00	
Plants & Wreath	260.00	540.02

ALEXANDER HALL

Appropriation		400.00
Maintenance Payroll	183.25	
Supplies	32.22	
Repair Furniture	137.08	352.55
Balance to Revenue	47.45	400.00

MAINTENANCE OF ATHLETIC FIELD

Appropriation		600.00
Payroll	308.29	
Gas & Oil	11.85	
Loam & Lime	35.00	
Pitcher's Rubber	11.70	
Supplies	40.19	407.03
Balance to Revenue	192.97	600.00

CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

Appropriation		200.00
Dues	65.00	
Office File (C.D.)	20.00	
Meetings & Mileage	26.00	
Advertising	6.13	
Telephone	4.82	
Postage, Envelopes, File Folders	37.58	159.53
Balance to Revenue	40.47	200.00

TOWN RECORDS COMMITTEE

Appropriation		1,500.00
Transfer		85.00
Professional Services (Microfilming)	1,495.25	
Telephone	13.61	
Supplies	31.42	
Mileage	32.64	
Bank Storage Rent	12.00	1,584.92
Balance to Revenue	.08	1,585.00

CEMETERIES

Appropriations		2,000.00
Cemetery Commissioner	75.00	
Center Cemetery		
Canadian Railroad	50.00	
Water	61.00	
Mt. Hermon Cemetery		
Hired Mach.	131.25	
Loam	82.50	
So. Mtn. Cemetery		
Labor	19.69	419.44
Balance to Revenue	1,580.56	2,000.00

P. C. CENTER CEMETERY INTEREST

Balance		1,202.57
Interest Receipts		1,668.28
Labor	1,175.91	1,175.91
Balance to 1980	1,794.94	2,970.85

P. C. MT. HERMON CEMETERY INTEREST

Balance		314.09
Interest Receipts		329.36
Labor	221.56	221.56
Balance to 1980	421.89	643.45

P. C. WEST NORTHFIELD CEMETERY INTEREST

Balance		898.78
Interest Receipts		902.09
Labor	872.00	
Expense	17.73	889.73
Balance to 1980	911.14	1,800.87

P. C. SO. MOUNTAIN CEMETERY INTEREST

Balance		65.34
Interest Receipts		9.20
Labor	72.24	72.24
Balance to 1980	2.30	74.54

P. C. NORTHFIELD FARMS CEMETERY INTEREST

Balance		297.90
Interest Receipts		453.56
Labor	282.04	282.04
Balance to 1980		469.42

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OF THE

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

TOWN OF NORTHFIELD

1979

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Mrs. Patricia Shearer, Chairman	Term expires 1980
Mr. Desmond Chambers, Secretary	Term expires 1982
Mrs. Mary Llewelyn	Term expires 1982
Mrs. Dorothy Persons	Term expires 1981
Mr. Charles Rogers (Resigned 10/79)	Term expires 1981
Mr. Frank R. Foster, 3rd (Replacement)	Term expires 1981

MEETING OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Regular meetings of the School Committee are held on the third Tuesday of each month at the Center School; winter months at the Central Administration office.

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
Edwin F. Harrington
Westfield State College - B.S.E., M.Ed.
Springfield College - CAGS, Administration
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ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
David E. Zellmer
University of Wisconsin - B. A.

UNION SECRETARIES
Mrs. Helen Mahoney
Mrs. Madelyn J. Page
Mrs. Shirley Baker (P.T.)

CENTRAL OFFICE HOURS
School Days - 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
School Vacations - 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

PRINCIPAL
Paul C. Bassett - B.A., M.Ed., Ed. D.

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN
George Harris, Jr., M.D.

SCHOOL NURSE
Karen Marsh, R.N.

*SCHOOL CALENDAR

Schools open September 5, 1979	Close November 21, 1979
Schools open November 26, 1979	Close December 21, 1979
Schools open January 2, 1980	Close February 15, 1980
Schools open February 25, 1980	Close April 18,1980
Schools open April 28, 1980	*Close June 24, 1980

*Subject to State Requirements

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Committee and the Citizens of Northfield:

The Northfield Elementary School opened its September 1979 doors to (207) students, a decline of (30) from prior year, 1978-79, and a cumulative reduction of (118) from 1967 forward. This trend focuses attention on staffing and program decisions and is financially compounded by escalating energy costs, contract expansion, inflation, government regulations and mandated services, many within recent years.

The approaching decade, 1980's, also entices educators across the nation to reflect on the past ten years and to speculate on educational trends of the future. A straight-forward appraisal must face decade-ending truths; a declining enrollment, job insecurity, fiscal restraints, lower SAT scores, an erosion of faith in public education and institutions in general, a flooded market of degree-laden young people, changes in family structure, working mothers, single parents, permissiveness, coupled with a reluctance to sacrifice for and/or push children. These factors, when joined with inflation, taxation and aging citizenry, impose a strain on school planners at all levels of operation. Colleges too, are beset with a declining pool of applicants, with many turning to alternative age groups to fill the thinning ranks of available enrollees.

If the 70's was a period of disillusionment, of facing new realities, of coming-to-grips with changing expectations in a changing society; then educators must adapt to such truths and forge a blueprint that successfully reacts to a new level of resources, changing labor market, need for new skills, and perhaps servicing a new school population that extends below age 5 and beyond age 18. Education may be forced to re-examine its mission and clearly state its role as an agent of intellectual enrichment and skill competency or accept the cast-off responsibilities of other declining institutions in our society.

The task of this report is not to over-indulge in grieving the past or to excessively speculate on the future, but to report on happenings of this past year - briefly they include, but are not limited, to the following areas:

Basic Skills Improvement: Policy adopted by the Massachusetts Board of Education, August 1978, established School Committee responsibility for establishing minimum standards of basic skill competency in mathematics, reading and writing, no later than September 1980, and minimum standards in listening and speaking no later than September 1981. To date, three Steering Committees are at work, grades K-3, 4-6 and 7-12; formulating proposals that will be forwarded a K-12 Advisory Council, composed of (15) representative members from school and town communities. Their task will be to review and recommend a plan of adoption by our respective six School Committees, June 1980. The final voted plan and report will be submitted to the State Department of Education early in the summer and lead to September 1980 implementation. The direct efforts of some (25) involved people are multiple - their collective thinking will effect district efforts for some time in the future.

Gesell Developmental Placement Program: Parents of young children are especially aware of a two year orientation and demonstration effort, on-going within School Union #18. In-Service training of staff, parent orientation, school committee awareness, and examiner certification has been coupled with a phased-in entrance age policy that bodes well for placement of entering students, a policy more in tune with their developmental level. System programs have utilized the resource staff of the Gesell Institute of New Haven, and (they) will be further enhanced by a year-long effort in coordination of K-3 curriculum, assessment procedures, and expanded staff training, 1980-81. As of this writing, we have submitted a Title IVC grant application in an effort to fund our program goals. Our hopes for alternative funding remain optimistic despite a most competitive base. This has been a well-planned, conservatively developed approach,

that will influence our educational recognition of a child's developmental readiness, and one that will effect his success in academic tasks throughout his school career.

Academically Advanced: Northfield parents are most aware of a new program this year that addresses a student's creative abilities and challenges the intellectual capacities of a student population long neglected in our educational midst. Project Explore has achieved documented success during its short four month history. Its implementation follows a Spring 1979 period of development and adoption, participation by a committee mix of parent, school committee member and citizen-at-large, who operated within the structure of an ad hoc task force. Project Explore's reception in the community has stimulated a Union-wide proposal that will be placed before the Joint Committees, (6), in April 1980, for possible planning and implementation, September 1980. It possesses the potential recognition of a diverse student population and has stimulated preliminary investigation at Pioneer Valley Regional School, grades 7-12.

Financial Resources: All are aware of inflation, energy escalation and the competition for educational dollars. Our budgets, (6) have maintained past "capping" levels, some for an extended period, but have finally succumbed to a Consumer Price Index that can no longer be denied without severe curtailment of services. Energy costs, in the form of fuel and transportation, earmark a significant portion of projected FY81 increases. Negotiated contracts and special need services complete a cycle of increases difficult to contain in the current financial atmosphere. Most all our systems budgets have traditionally reflected from 3% to 5% increases over the past eight years; 1980-81 levels will be hard-pressed to remain below double digit totals.

We have supplemented our appropriated sources by aggressive pursuit of grant monies, that has brought some $100,000 of support service, equipment and materials to our K-12 system base programs. Most noteable proposals include a Remedial Title I Project, Speech and Language Therapy (94-142), Home Economic and Occupational Education funds, CETA funded Ecology and Environmental Learning Sites, media capability via Title IV and Career Exploration under P.L. 94-482. Endeavors are currently under way to match or exceed this level for 1980-81 in formats that supplant and supplement our overall educational capacity to help children.

Enrollment and Realignment: System-wide, we have experienced the predicated decline of students, a local and national phenomenon. Our response has been a steady match of students to staff, a process both emotionally and technically difficult. It has also provoked realighment assignment and assessment of effort - a task that must continue in the face of reality, yet one that must maintain a balance of service to children with financial responsibility to all sectors of our constituency.

Energy Efforts: Evaluation of projects capable of conserving energy dollars within our K-12 system could quickly focus on capital improvement, often an expensive direction. Aware of such, we have responded with a voted, stringent, monitored Energy Policy in effect at all schools. This beginning effort has been supported by building audit and has resulted in insulation projects at three schools in Northfield and Gill, storm window installation in Warwick and Northfield, weather stripping and reduced cold-air circulation levels at all sites, drawn curtains and lowered thermostats during the school day, and reduced night levels during non-school periods. Lights, water heaters and a multitude of common sense approaches have also been effected. Continued efforts are in the planning stage and will be spread over long-range fiscal periods. Suffice to state that this will be an extended battle - one that diverts money from educational endeavors.

In summary, we call your attention to a past listing of services apportioned within our six system structure and share with you a commitment to meeting the challenge of the 80's. Americans have been optimistic people for decades, and there is reason to feel that they will continue to seek alternative coping strategies vital to resolving the realities of the present and future. Actually there is limited choice, for we share a traditional concern and comitment to the education of all children. This task is complex, diversified, vested of interest, and requires an informed parent-citizenry willing to respond to the total needs of each community. We seek your voice, support and sensitiveness to the issues before us, ever-aware of your past willingness and cooperativeness in meetint the needs of our youth.

Respectfully submitted,

Edwin F. Harrington

Superintendent of Schools

NORTHFIELD SCHOOL COMMITTEE FINANCIAL REPORT
December 31, 1979 (K-6)

		Expended 1/1-6/30/79	Appropriated 1979-80	Expended 7/1-12/31/79	Budget 1979-80
1000	ADMINISTRATION	7,708.36	16,289.	7,813.03	16,780.
2000	INSTRUCTION	155,594.48	251,033.	83,293.79	264,465.
3000	OTHER SERVICES	27,666.25	47,847.	18,589.63	57,302.
4000	OPER. & MAINTENANCE	38,566.14	66,550.	23,335.25	75,412.
5000	FIXED CHARGES	1,646.35	3,542.	1,366.90	5,995.
7000	ACQ. OF FIXED ASSETS	609.63	535.	322.88	438.
9000	OTHER PROGRAMS	7,285.06	16,627.	5,818.88	9,710.
	TOTALS	239,076.27	402,424.	140,540.36	430,102.

NET COST OF EDUCATION 1979 (K-12, incl. voc.)

Expenditures, (Elementary School)	379,616.63	
Expenditures (P.V.R.S.,Northfield's share)	494,814.94	
Expenditures (F.C.T.S.,Northfield's share)	100,436.05	
		974,867.62
Reimbursements		
School Aid, Chapter 70	63,674.00	
Vocation Aid, Chapter 74	1,241.00	
Transportation	17,146.00	
Sale of Equipment (Attic)	579.50	
	82,640.50	
Reimbursement paid P.V.R.S.(Nfld's share)	100,389.59	
Reimbursement paid F.C.T.S.(Nfld's share)	10,226.47	
	110,616.06	
		193,256.56
Net Cost to Schools (K-12 incl. Voc.)		781,611.06

REIMBURSEMENTS AND NET COST (K-12 incl. Voc.)

1969	413,416.51	137,866.55	30.0	275,549.96	575	479.21
1970	483,898.48	210,542.50	43.5	273,355.98	580	471.30
1971	541,997.36	127,163.50	23.5	414,833.86	602	689.09
1972	613,376.33	170,887.65	27.9	442,488.68	609	726.58
1973	618,182.19	124,892.64	20.2	493,289.46	607	812.67
1974	646,524.03	169,867.49	26.3	476,656.54	612	778.85
1975	723,709.56	126,232.01	17.4	597,477.55	598	999.12
1976	819,249.86	286,016.24	34.9	533,233.62	598	962.52
1977	904,543.93	226,489.11	25.0	678,054.84	517	1,311.52
1978	991,841.14	195,982.39	19.8	795,858.75	475	1,675.49
1979	974,867.62	193,256.56	19.8	781,611.06	434	1,800.95

ENROLLMENT REPORT

October 1979

Grade	Boys	Girls	Total
K	12	6	18
1	16	11	27
2	14	14	28
3	15	23	38
4	12	16	28
5	19	14	33
6	15	16	31
	103	100	203
P.V.R.S.			
7	27	16	43
8	16	22	38
9	17	12	29
10	11	17	28
11	10	14	24
12	10	12	22
	91	93	184

Dublin, N.H.	3
Bernardston	3
Northfield-Mt. Hermon	42
Full Circle School	1
Bement	3
Stoneleigh-Burnham School	1
The Common School	2
Hampshire Educational Collaborative	1
Franklin County Technical School	42
Assumption Montessori School	1
Holy Trinity	3
Our Lady of Providence	1
Community Christian	3

Out of District Students subject to Census 5/1/80.

SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM

1979

Opening Cash Balance		1,043.63
Receipts	17,573.42	
Disbursements	19,901.19	
		(-2,327.77)
Closing Cash Balance		(-1,284.14)

REPORT OF THE NORTHFIELD SCHOOL COMMITTEE

The five (5) member Northfield Elementary School Committee's assignment hours continued to evoke attendance at the bargaining table, Ad Hoc Citizen Committee involvement, Franklin County Collaborative Board membership duties and Pioneer Valley Regional School delegate responsibilities - all have escalated in recent years, well beyond the assumed obligation of past decades. No longer can the Committee totally function within a historic, autonomous sphere but must maintain active liaison with town officials, citizenry and area system organizations in an effort to share resources, personnel and funding advantages offered within the structure of an expanding educational service unit.

This past Spring '79, the Committee advantageously involved segments of the educational community in search and interview activities leading to the selection of a new Supervising Principal with Special Teaching Responsibilities. Interim accountability of service and new expectations were articulated by a number of persons, most have been realized and provide a positive base for our school program, 79-80.

The Committee, entering a new decade, faces the reality of declining enrollment, escalating energy costs and changing expectations in a changing society. Their deliberations must maintain a balance between assessed need, parent-staff desire and budgetary limitation. Staffing patterns have been, and will continue, to project realignment in keeping with a decade-long loss of (100) students, a 33% decrease over a 10-12 year period. Despite area and regional re-entrenchment, the Committee has been receptive to well-formulated proposals possessing a potential for quality service to children.

High on this list is a newly implemented 'Project Explore' program for academically advanced students as well as participation in a system-wide Developmental Placement Program, both well-known to parent-citizens of Northfield.

On-going, planned maintenance focused on energy concerns this past year and resulted in the insulation of both attic areas - when combined with relatively new storm windows and converted lighting in a number of classrooms (it) should produce energy savings of significant degree. Classroom painting, replacement curtains, and driveway repair rounded on-going efforts to maintain our educational facilities at a positive level.

Staff transition during 1978-79 was absent, as all classroom teachers returned to prior year assignments. Shared staff within a special needs assignment found Miss DiSanti replacing Ms. Eileen O'Mera and Clyde Lower, combined with David Bond to render continued instrumental instruction. Within the para professional ranks Mrs. Cadarette replaced Ms. Kelleher along with Mrs. Shepard's replacement of Ms. Mann at cafeteria assignment stations.

On the Committee level, Frank R. Foster 3rd, is currently serving as interim replacement for the resigned Charles Rogers and Mr. Desmond Chambers replaces Chadwick Glover, who has moved onto full-service membership with the Pioneer Valley Regional District School Committee.

Your Committee, operating in a complex era of legal, financial and educational demands, continues to assess need and function within the total resources of the community, alert to a mixed constituency and aware that decisions must involve a cross section of public input. This mission places a delicate burden of responsibility on your Committee who realize that within the decision-making process, not all factions will be satisfied but equally aware that an informed citizenry will support efforts to seek an excellence of education at the Northfield Elementary School.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Shearer, Chairperson/Union #18 Personnel
Desmond Chambers, Secretary
Mary Llewelyn, P.V.R.S. Representative
Dorothy Persons, F.C.Collaborative Representative
Frank R. Foster 3rd.

PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

1979

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Mr. Chadwick Glover, Chairman	Northfield
Mr. Theodore Penick, Vice Chairman	Northfield
Mrs. Mary Llewelyn	Northfield
Mrs. Carol Haskell	Bernardston
Mr. Roger Doiron	Bernardston
Mr. Byron Beckwith	Bernardston
Mrs. Dorothy Rumens	Leyden
Mrs. Laurel Koch	Leyden
Mrs. Judith Boersma	Leyden
Mrs. Judith Johnson	Warwick
Mrs. Barbara Walker	Warwick
Mrs. Roxann Wedgegartner	Warwick
Mr. Hamilton S. Cregar, Treasurer (Retired 7/1/79)	Northfield
Mrs. Sharon Finnell, Treasurer	Northfield
Mr. Davis E. Zellmer, Secretary	Warwick

PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL

Annual Report of the Principal -- 1979

To the Superintendent of Schools and the Pioneer Valley Regional School District Committee:

I herewith submit my twelfth annual report as Principal of Pioneer Valley Regional School.

During 1979 both students and staff were involved in curricular and co-curricular up-dating of programs, in-service workshop sessions, energy conservation studies, maintenance of building projects--an extremely busy and rewarding year for Pioneer.

The student population continues to decline--from a high enrollment of 620 students in the 1972-73 school year to a low enrollment of 443 students in the present 1979-80 school year.

Due to our declining student body, the teaching staff at P.V.R.S. has been reduced by the equivalent of 5.3 full time classroom teachers since the 1975-76 school year. A further reduction of 1.7 full time classroom teachers will take place prior to the beginning of the 1980-81 school year. Budget cutbacks decided on in November and December will result in the elimination of one scheduled late, late bus; a reduction in our varsity football program; elimination of several curriculum offerings in Grades 9-12 during the 1980-81 school year. Staff reductions indeed have a direct effect upon the programs which we are able to offer the students at P.V.R.S.

Staff and students have been involved in the revision and up-dating of our Student Handbook, in the formation of our first Athletic Handbook, and in the revision of our Faculty Handbook.

Energy conservation has been on everyone's priority list. The P.V.R.S. Building and Grounds Committee has been working diligently in this area. An energy conservation audit has been done and energy conservation/modification methods are being adopted. This committee has also approved building modifications/alterations to service the handicapped.

Several in-service training/workshop sessions for staff members and students were planned/implemented during the past year. The following areas involved staff participation:

1. Academic Enrichment Through the Experiental Education Concept.
2. Teaching the Gifted and Talented Students.
3. Basic Skills Improvement Plan - overview of the State Competency Testing Program.
4. Cooperative Staff Development Day at Greenfield Community College.

Workshop sessions which involved student participation were:

1. Alcohol Education Program in Grade 9 (10 sessions)
2. CPR all-day course for members of the Class of 1979.

From in-service program results, two major committees were formed:

1. Basic Skills Improvement Plan Committee: formed to establish P.V.R.S.'s tasks/deadlines for implementing the state's mandated competency tests in reading, writing and math during the fall of 1980.
2. Gifted/Talented Committee: formed to explore, plan a workable G/T program for Pioneer students in Grades 7-12.

ENROLLMENT

Our school enrollment as mentioned previously has continued to decline. Our school opened in September with an enrollment of 443. This is a decrease of 17 from last year's September enrollment of 460. It is estimated/projected that our September 1980 enrollment will be 428 students.

The enrollments as of December 1, 1979, were as follows:

	Boys	Girls	Town of: Nfld.	Bern.	Ley.	War.	Total
Grade 7	49	46	45	31	10	9	95
Grade 8	47	44	38	36	8	9	91
Grade 9	36	40	31	32	9	4	76
Grade 10	25	40	32	21	6	6	65
Grade 11	34	30	24	25	7	8	64
Grade 12	26	35	24	21	11	5	61
	217	235					452

CURRICULUM

As a comprehensive school, we are attempting to carry out the goal of our stated philosophy--to provide the broadest and most effective educational experiences possible within the limitations of our resources.

We have been most fortunate again this year to have received five grants which are the results of projects written by staff members. These grants are:

1. Industrial Arts Department ($8,012.) - This is an exploratory program called Let's Fix It which provides students with the knowledge/skills necessary in twelve (12) home maintenance related job areas. The funds received provided supplies and equipment including a MOIS (Massachusetts Occupational Information Service) computer terminal for searching out career possibilities.
2. Home Economics Department ($1,310.) - This project provides instructional supplies and equipment for our Indoor/Outdoor Clothing course, provides students with consumer competency and vocational awareness in the areas of textiles.
3. Library-Media ($3,029.) - This joint venture with Northfield-Mount Hermon School made it possible for us to purchase both A-V and library resource materials for our foreign language areas.
4. Speech Therapy ($14,350.) - This joint K-12 project provides P.V.R.S. students with free speech services and consultations for the 1979-80 school year.

5. Remedial Math/Reading (Grade 7) - Through Title I funding a tutor provides remedial math, reading services to ten (10) students each morning during the 1979-80 school year.

The above grants represent additional funds that have been brought into Pioneer through the untiring efforts of P.V.R.S. staff members. Indeed they are to be highly commended for their efforts.

Additions to this year's curriculum offerings include:

1. Foreign Language Exploration in Grade 8 - As a follow-up to last year's Grade 7 program, this curriculum focuses on vocabulary and its application in everyday situations. It is primarily an oral, introductory course where each Grade 8 student is programmed three days a week in French and Spanish for a quarter of the year in each language area.
2. Let's Fix It - This program provides students (Grades 9-12) with career exploration opportunities and pre-vocational training based on skills needed by contemporary homeowners or renters.
3. Civics - This Grade 9 program studies the organization/function of government at the federal, state, and local levels.

Co-curricular areas/additions meriting mention during the year were:

1. Institution of an Athletic Handbook.
2. Soccer Program was expanded to include Grades 7-9 enabling the Fall 1979 scheduling of both junior high and freshmen soccer games.
3. Pioneer Valley Interscholastic Athletic Conference was organized and P.V.R.S. became a member. This new conference's task is the realignment of all District IV schools' interscholastic athletic programs. This realignment is based on school population, school location, and the emphasis/abilities of member schools in particular sports.
4. Pioneer Acting Company - This was previously known as the P.V.R.S. Drama Club and is the largest single organization in our school. The PAC is responsible for four to five theatrical productions a year.
5. Both our Model Congress delegation and our As Schools Match Wits team have brought much recognition to Pioneer and its communities during the past year.
6. The Student Council's sponsoring of monthly Faculty Breakfasts, and recognition of a "Faculty Member of the Month" award have been most positive occasions.

CHOSEN CAREERS

The fifty-two (52) members of the Class of 1979 made plans for the future as follows:

4 year college - 12	Post graduate work - 2	Marriage - 1
2 year college - 15	Work - 22	Undecided- 0
		Service - 0

56% - pursuing further education
42% - entered the world of work
2% - service, marriage or undecided

CONCLUSION

Many, many educationally sound programs; problem and concern areas have been identified above. Certainly decreasing enrollments and budgetary cutbacks are of major concern. I am grateful to the many parents and students who along with staff members have attended school committee meetings to support and voice concern for curricular and co-curricular program deletions. As a comprehensive school, we must strive to offer programs for a diversified student body.

My sincere thanks, therefore, go to Superintendent Harrington, my School Committee, my faculty and staff, our students, and the parents and citizens of our school district for their untiring and unselfish efforts on behalf of their school and its students.

May each of us profit from having been associated with one another.

Respectfully submitted,

William K. Decker, Principal

PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Report of the Treasurer
Fiscal Year 1979
July 1, 1978 - June 30, 1979

Balance on hand July 1, 1978			
Excess & Deficiency Operating Surplus			$ 249,126.90
Federal-State Programs			
NDEA-Title II		$ 41.08	
Title III Project No.75-10		927.62	
Title VI		6.63	
ESEA-Title IV-B FY78		752.69	
PL92-318 (PL90-576)FY77 Proj.No. CH 1677		3,954.58	
PL94-482 (PL90-576)FY78 Proj.No. 78-750-004-6		5,046.14	10,728.74
Special Funds			
School Lunch		4,173.90	
Athl. Dept. - Gate Receipts		(- 165.55)	
School Band		753.57	
Student Scholarship Reserve		427.55	
Bicentennial School House		(-1,616.00)	
Entrance Gates Damage Insur.Claim		83.19	3,656.66
Advance Payment-Laboratory Nursery Tuitions FY79			450.00 $ 263,962.30
Receipts - Operational			
State Reimbursements and Distributions			
Regional School Aid - CH71 S16D (CH 492)FY78		17,063.00	
FY79		77,486.00	
School Aid - CH 70, as amended FY79		99,093.00	
Transportation - CH 71 S 16C FY79		47,915.00	241,557.00
Member Towns' Net Assessment Payments			
Bernardston		263,975.71	
Leyden		89,081.59	
Northfield		361,229.92	
Warwick		52,304.78	766,592.00
Federal - State Programs			
ESEA-Title IV-B FY79		3,028.76	
PL94-142 Title VI-B FY79 Proj.No.79-750-039-P		8,000.00	
PL94-482 (PL90-576) FY79 Proj.No.79-750-019-6		6,147.00	
PL94-482 (PL90-576) FY79 Proj.No.79-750-053-6		15,598.00	

CH 622 Workshop-Reimbursement for Substitutes	40.00	32,813.76	
Tuitions			
Laboratory Nursery - 2 FY79	60.00		
16 FY80 (Advance)	480.00	540.00	
Special Funds			
School Lunch			
Sales	22,537.61		
Fed.-State Reimbursement FY78	3,999.75		
FY79	14,261.35		
Cash in lieu of Commodities	1,701.78		
Town of Warwick Sale of Used Cooler	1.00		
Reimbursements for Food Supplies	419.20	42,920.69	
Athletic Dept.-Gate Receipts		3,688.36	
Stud. Scholarship Reserve-Soda Mach.Sales		3,631.30	
Insurance Claims			
Entrance Gates Damage	354.50		
Lobby Glass Breakage	301.29		
School House Break-in Damage	105.00	760.79	
Other Receipts			
Individual Insurance Payments	734.22		
Driver Education-Student Fees	560.00		
Town of Warwick - Share of Itinerants' Insurance	276.00		
Sale of Pickup Canopy	152.00		
Vendors' Refunds	106.60		
New England Telephone-Commissions	99.99		
Use of Building	97.50		
Nurse's Supplies	77.35		
Workmen's Comp. Insur. - Rebate	72.00		
Stud. Reimb.-Building Damage	20.00		
Interest Income-Operating Accounts	15,568.84		
Insurance Adjustments	10,548.00		
Trust Funds-Interest-Withdrawals-Scholarships	940.00		
Sales Tax Coll.-Mass.5% Food Tax	114.52		
Mass.5% Gen. Tax	5.26	29,372.28	1,121,876.18
Total Receipts and Holdings			$ 1,385,838.48

Excess & Deficiency Operating Surplus-FY79 Activity Schedule			
Balance on Hand July 1, 1978		$ 249,126.90	
Transfer to Reduction of FY79 Town Assess. Committee voted 2/9/78	$100,416.00		
Transfer to Gym Floor Acct. Committee voted 8/24/78	31,972.00		
Transfer to Bicentennial School House, Gym Floor, Piping System Relocation, and Energy Survey Accts.-Comm. voted 4/26/79	28,087.15	160,475.15	$ 88,651.75
Transfer from Oper. Budget-FY79 Surp	6,306.76		
Transfer from Est. Receipts-FY79 Surp.	8,086.68		14,393.44
Balance on Hand June 30, 1979			$ 103,045.19
Disbursements - Operational			
Operating Budget			
#1000 Administration	$ 38,191.29		
#2000 Insutruction	746,409.14		
#3000 Other Services	123,734.95		
#4000 Operation & Maintenance	143,467.02		
#5000 Fixed Charges	61,039.36		
#7000 Acquisition of Equipment	5,960.48		
#9000 Programs with Other Schools	3,525.00	1,122,327.24	

Federal - State Programs			
ESEA-Title IV-B FY78	752.69		
Title IV-B FY79	1,395.61		
PL94-142 Title VI-B FY79 Proj.No.79-750-039-P	7,851.84		
PL92-318 (PL90-576) FY77 Proj.No. CH 1677	3,976.18		
PL94-482 (PL90-576) FY78 Proj.No. 78-750-004-6	5,046.14		
PL94-482 (PL90-576) FY79 Proj.No. 79-750-019-6	5,361.17		
PL94-482 (PL90-576) FY79 Proj.No. 79-750-053-6	10,262.92		
CH 622 Workshop-Reimb. for Substitutes	40.00	34,886.55	
Special Funds			
School Lunch			
Salaries	14,200.47		
Supplies	32,603.24	46,803.71	
Athletic Dept.-Gate Receipts		2,864.08	
Student Scholarship Reserve			
Scholarships - Karen Jurek	100.00		
Michelle Martin	100.00		
Thomas Messer	100.00		
Supplies - Soda Machine	3,166.00	3,466.00	
Insurance Claims			
Entrance Gates Damage	437.69		
Lobby Glass Breakage	301.29	738.98	
Special Accounts			
Gym Floor	32,048.95		
Energy Survey	1,500.00		
Piping System Relocation	20,967.16	54,516.11	
Other Disbursements			
Trust Funds-Scholarship Awards-See Schedule	940.00		
Individual Insurance Payments	734.22		
Town of Warwick-Share of Itinerants' Insurance	276.00		
Vendors' Refunds	85.00		
Tuition Refund-Laboratory Nursery	30.00		
Sales Tax-Mass. 5% Food Tax	121.84		
Mass. 5% General Tax	5.26	2,192.32	$1,267.794.99
Balance on hand June 30, 1979			
Excess & Deficiency Operating Surplus		$103,045.19	
Federal-State Programs			
NDEA-Title II	41.08		
Title III Proj.No.75-10	927.62		
Title VI	6.63		
ESEA-Title IV-B FY79	1,433.15		
PL94-142 Title VI-B FY79 Proj.No. 79-750-039-P	148.16		
PL94-482 (PL90-576) FY79 Proj.No. 79-750-019-6	785.83		
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Special Funds			
School Lunch	290.88		
Sales Tax-Mass. 5% Food Tax	(- 7.32)		
Athletic Dept.-Gate Receipts	658.73		
School Band	753.57		
Student Scholarship Reserve	592.85		
School House Break-in Damage Claim	105.00		
Gym Floor Account	3,373.60		

TOWN ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF SELECTMEN AND CITIZENS OF THE TOWN OF NORTHFIELD:

In compliance with the provisions of Section 61, Chapter 41 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, I submit the fiscal year report of the Accounting Department ending June 30, 1979. Included are the source of all receipts, detail of appropriations and expenditures, statement of trust funds, and a balance sheet showing the financial condition of the Town on July 1, 1979.

All invoices and payrolls presented were examined for accuracy and legality before being submitted to the Board of Selectmen. The Treasurer's Cash was verified and found to be correct.

I wish to express my sincere thanks to all departments for their cooperation during the past fiscal year.

Respectfully submitted,

Ethel D. Fowler

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

BALANCE SHEET
TOWN OF NORTHFIELD

Fiscal Year Ending June 10, 1979

ASSETS		AMOUNT
Cash		
General		543,638.59
Federal Revenue Sharing		74,017.84
Anti-Recession		633.45
Accounts Receivable		
1978 Personal Property Tax Levy	7.40	
1979 Real Estate Levy	9,918.31	
1979 Pers. Prop. Levy	773.53	10,699.24
Motor Vehicle Excise		
1976 Levy	59.76	
1977 Levy	349.98	
1978 Levy	1,921.65	
1979 Levy	32,914.84	35,246.23
Spec.Taxes, Real Estate,Sec.37A Ch.60		444.77
Sewer Use		
1977 Added to Taxes	280.00	
1977 Committed Interest	27.26	
1978 Levy	1,683.30	
1979 Levy	22,080.30	24,070.86
Tax Titles & Possessions		
Tax Titles	6,813.53	
Possessions	1,573.97	8,387.50
Aid to Sewer Project		
Federal	31,460.00	
State	997.00	32,457.00
Departmental		
Sewer Dept.		180.12
State Aid to Highways		63,522.00
County Dog Care		60.00
Payroll Deductions		
Group Health Insurance		18.66
1980 Revenue		1,403,017.48
Loans Authorized		
Sewer Const. Art. 6 1/19/76	414,500.00	
Inflow & Infil. Surv. Art. 46 5/3/76	31,000.00	
Sewer Syst. in Town Art. 40 5/3/77	13,500.00	459,000.00
Underestimate 1979		
County Tax		4,014.95
Overlay Deficit		
Levy of 1979		3,127.21
Appropriation Deficit		
Snow Removal		9,459.76
		$ 2,671,995.66

LIABILITIES & RESERVES		AMOUNT
Temporary Loan in Antic. of Reimbursement		8,482.00
Payroll Deductions		
Group Health Insurance	134.64	
Group Life Insurance	1.98	136.62
Collector's Costs		301.00
Tailings		
Unclaimed Checks		85.94
Gift to Conservation Commission		10.00
Trust Funds Income		
Library	3,737.96	
P. C. Cemeteries	3,599.69	7,337.65
Revolving Fund		
School Lunch		1,385.65
Agency		
Meals Tax		1.43
Federal Grants		
Title II Library Extension	15.56	
Title III Nat.Def. Education	4.76	
Title IV B 1979	159.96	180.28
Appropriation Balances 1979		
General	170,160.73	
Anti-Recession	633.45	
Fed. Rev. Shar.	15,011.20	185,805.38
Appropriations 1980		
General	1,529,771.42	
Fed. Rev. Shar.	43,027.71	1,572,799.13
Loans Authorized & Unissued		459,000.00
Overestimates 1979		
State Parks & Reservations	554.31	
Special Education	2,312.00	
P.V.Air Poll. Cont. Bd.	18.75	2,885.06
Sale of Real Estate		5,569.37
Receipts Reserved for Appropriation		
Sale of Cemetery Lots	5,499.12	
Road Machinery Fund	199.65	
Fed. Rev. Shar.	15,978.93	21,677.70
Overlay Reserved for Abatements		
Levy of 1978		7.40
Reserve Fund		
Overlay Surplus		72,225.53
Revenues Reserved Until Collected		
Aid to Sew. Trtmt. Plant	23,975.00	
Motor Vehicle Excise	35,246.23	
Sewer Use	24,070.86	
Special Taxes	444.77	
Tax Titles & Possessions	8,387.50	
Departmentals	180.12	
State Aid to Highways	63,522.00	155,826.48
Surplus Revenue		178,279.04
		$ 2,671,995.66

RECEIPTS

Investment of General Cash		$ 740,000.00
Investment of Revenue Sharing Funds		23,000.00
Temp. Note in Antic. of Fed. Aid. Project (Sewer)		25,000.00
Taxes:		
1978 Real Estate	9,502.32	
1978 Personal Property	808.72	10,311.04
1979 Real Estate	906,356.94	
1979 Personal Property	135,754.04	1,042,110.98
Motor Vehicle Excise:		
Levy of 1976	34.65	
Levy of 1977	6,485.52	
Levy of 1978	46,948.08	
Levy of 1979	61,039.62	114,507.87
Farm Animal Excise		
Levy of 1978		2,916.13
Sewer Use:		
Levy of 1977 Added to Taxes	1,308.97	
Levy of 1978	18,067.42	
Levy of 1979	1,193.70	
1977 Committed Interest	122.51	20,692.60
Tax Titles Redeemed		2,085.72
Accounts Receivable:		
Sewer Dumping	746.21	
Veterans' Benefits (State)	3,567.44	4,313.65
State Aid to Highways (Chap. 90)		51,326.00
Agencies:		
Federal Withholding Taxes	44,909.45	
State Withholding Taxes	17,004.48	
Meals Tax	67.68	
County Retirement	9,963.84	
Teachers' Retirement	9,741.84	
Group Insurance	10,009.91	
Life Insurance	211.50	
Frank. Co. Sch. Emp. Fed. Cr. Union	9,375.00	
Teachers' Dues	2,254.00	
County Dog Care	674.00	
Dog Licenses Collected for County	991.10	
Tax Collector's Costs	1,198.00	106,400.80
County & State Aid:		
State Aid to Libraries	926.25	
County Dog Fund	527.69	1,453.94
Perpetual Care Trust Funds		475.00
Trust Funds Income:		
Charity	814.98	
Center School	74.87	
Dickinson Library	936.58	
Perpetual Care, Cemeteries	3,362.49	5,188.92
Federal Grant		
Title IVB P.L. 93-380 (School)		1,654.96
CETA Title VI		8,907.65
Federal Revenue Sharing:		
Entitlements	35,776.00	
Interest	6,709.62	42,485.62
School Lunch:		
Sales	11,007.07	
State	9,537.83	20,544.90
Sale of Cemetery Lots		115.00
Road Machinery Fund		756.90
Insurance Claim - Police Dept.		181.10
Gifts		20.00
Stabilization Fund:		
From Investments	77,000.00	
Interest	13,742.20	90,742.20
Tailings (Uncashed Checks)		85.94
Refunds to Appropriation Accounts		535.43
Receipts from Commonwealth:		
School, Chapter 70	61,466.00	
School, Chapter 71	17,146.00	
Elderly Exemptions	6,574.12	
R. E. Abate. to Widows	525.00	
Lottery	11,289.00	
Loss of Taxes on Land	22,478.89	
Local Aid	12,886.00	
Add'l. Assist. 1978 Deficit	1,831.29	
Highways, Chapter 497	29,391.00	
Highways, Chapter 825 Sec. 3	35,875.00	199,462.30
Estimated Receipts:		
Town Clerk & Selectmen Licenses		187.00
Plumbing Licenses & Permits		237.00
Disposal & Septic Permits		26.00
Other Board of Health Licenses		8.50
Liquor Licenses		1,047.00
Police Permits		538.00
Bicycle Registrations		1.50
Accident Reports		190.00
Building Permits		1,084.50
Building Inspections		948.99
Wiring Permits		200.50
Selectmen's Expense		2.69
Copier Use		218.92
Accountant's Supplies		9.00
Treasurer's Supplies		8.25
Tax Title Fees		15.50
Sale of Assessors' Maps		2.50
Sale of Planning Board Maps		62.00
Rent, Town Hall		490.00
Rent, Alexander Hall		16.00
Board of Appeals Adv. Reimbursement		200.00
District Court Fines		2,980.00
Nurse's Fees		13,853.21
Nurse's Expense		.59
Sale of 1954 Maxim Fire Truck		2,176.00
Sale of Scrap Glass		68.37
Landfill Use		100.00
Highway Dept. Damages		125.20
Sale of School Desks & Lost Book		579.50
School Tuition		136.60
Library Fines & Lost Book		199.71
Library Copier Use		14.50
Recreation Comm. - Swimming Fees		206.00
Sale of Tercentenary Merchandise		36.05

Piping System Relocation Account	553.44	6,320.75	118,043.49*
			$1,385,838.48

Distribution of Cash as of June 30, 1979

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		$774,180.52	
Less Disbursements-July 1-Dec. 31, 1979		578,960.63	
Balance on hand December 31, 1979			$195,219.89

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Colrain:	William H. Dornbusch		John F. Ryan
Conway:	George B. Eldridge	New Salem:	Harold S. Overing
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Erving:	Ronald Rowe	Rowe:	Vacancy
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	Frank W. Sussenberger	Whately:	Jane H. Grybko

FRANKLIN COUNTY TECHNICAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT - DIRECTOR

Calendar Year January 1, 1979 to December 31, 1979

I am pleased to submit my fourth annual report of the management of the Franklin County Technical School. As in previous reports, I shall attempt to summarize the most significant activities of this past year that have contributed to our school's growth.

This year, once again, a maximum capacity student enrollment was achieved. As had been expected, women applications continued to escalate; for the first time, women enrolled in all eighteen trade and technical programs. The October 1, 1979 day school enrollment report listed (561) male and (267) female grades' 9-12 students and (29) Post Graduates. A waiting list of District and Non-District applicants is presently on file.

The Adult Education Evening program continued to expand. Over 463 Adults enrolled in nineteen different trade preparation and trade extension courses.

For the first time in Franklin County's educational history, a county-wide career's survey test was administered to all eighth grade students. The testing was coordinated by the Tech School staff. The results will be analyzed and disseminated to those parents and testing students as an aide in better long range decision making; and the area schools should be assisted in developing enrollment planning studies.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts approved the school's Special Education and Facility Plans. In addition, our staff completed a self-evaluation of plant, programs, and facilities in accordance with federal mandates. Also, a Crisis Intervention Center was established to complement our new remediation and student behavior modification programs.

A major financial bonus was attained this year when the Commonwealth acknowledged and corrected a previous inequity in the state's educational funding formula. As a result, the eighteen District towns received an additional $179,000 reimbursement which was applied against their assessments. Our District Representatives, Jay Healy and William Benson, and Senator Olver assisted the District in this endeavor.

As in the past, the school was the beneficiary of a number of substantial material and equipment donations from area businesses and industries. Furthermore, through the generosity of many area individuals, businesses, civic, and fraternal organizations, our graduation scholarship funds reached an all time high.

Although our House Carpentry project, the Gregory Dow home on Adams Road, Greenfield, was the largest our-of-school activity, the expertize of the students and instructors at our school benefited a large number of public and public non-profit agencies across the entire county.

Since the major goal of Vocational-Technical education is "to prepare students to seek, acquire, and succeed in a special trade, technical, or occupational field," we continued to upgrade our Job Placement Program. We exceeded all of our early goals by placing ninety-one percent of our 1979 graduates in positive job markets. Also, seven of nine of our severely handicapped students were successfully placed in self-supporting employment.

Continuing efforts were made to make the Tech School a viable, visible, and integral part of the Franklin County community. The monthly radio program over W.H.A.I., the quarterly news letter to our parents, our Annual Parents Night Open House, and increased participation by our one hundred and twenty Trade Advisory Committee members demonstrated increasing success.

Our sports programs, although not very large in number, continued to contribute an effective role to our total curriculum. Our women's softball and volleyball teams registered impressive gains. Our boy's basketball, cross country, soccer, and track teams all assisted in advancing school spirit. A new sport, wrestling, was introduced on an experimental basis.

In closing, I would like to briefly review my analysis of the Technical School's future role in Franklin County. First, and very importantly, the spector of energy created problems will continue to necessitate a constant and critical review of the educational and financial validity of all school programs -- especially those relating to transportation and utilities. This School District has already begun short and long range energy audits and conservation programs. Almost certainly, Franklin County's high school age students will continue to show sustained interest in applying to this school. Our projections indicate that male application growth will level off by 1981, however, women applicants will continue to demonstrate strong demand and growth until at least 1985. Therefore, with significant declining or leveling enrollments in our area sending high schools, which will also impact upon this school, it is certain that an orderly and systematic total educational planning process must address the future needs of all of the area's secondary school systems. I have begun preliminary discussions with the Superintendents throughout the District, however, more substantive studies will soon be necessary.

It seems equally certain that the future strengths of any Vocational-Technical education system will link with an effective adult job training and retraining program. This school, as coordinator of the successful CETA Youth Work Program has already begun a school to work and work to school program. These programs are bound to increase in scope and diversity.

Finally, I would like to express my gratitude to our entire educational community at the Tech School for their significant assistance and cooperation during our fourth year. I am indebted, also, to hundreds of parents, townspeople, business, industrial, and educational benefactors for giving so generously of their time and talent. And certainly, Mr. Chairman, I wish to express my appreciation to you and your Committee. Your consistent support, encouragement, and confidence in my administration of this fine school is deeply rewarding.

Respectfully submitted,

James J. O'Neil, Jr.
Superintendent-Director

FRANKLIN COUNTY TECHNICAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
FISCAL YEAR 1981 BUDGET ASSESSMENT
7/1/80 Through 6/30/81
TOTAL ASSESSED BUDGET $2,435,160.

TOWN	OPERATING %	OPERATING SHARE	SPECIAL OPERATING %	SPECIAL OPERATING SHARE	TOTAL OPERATING SHARE	CAPITAL %	CAPITAL SHARE	TOTAL ASSESSMENT
BERNARDSTON	2.67	56,680.07	3.73	936.23	57,616.30	3.120	8,960.98	66,577.28
BUCKLAND	4.15	88,098.23	0.46	115.46	88,213.69	3.145	9,032.79	97,246.48
COLRAIN	4.88	103,595.03	2.80	702.80	104,297.83	3.015	8,659.40	112,957.23
CONWAY	3.54	75,148.85	1.40	351.40	75,500.25	2.095	6,017.07	81,517.32
DEERFIELD	6.47	137,348.33	4.90	1,229.90	138,578.23	8.695	24,973.00	163,551.23
ERVING	2.93	62,199.48	2.56	642.56	62,842.04	6.215	17,850.16	80,692.20
GILL	2.69	57,104.64	2.56	642.56	57,747.20	2.110	6,060.15	63,807.35
GREENFIELD	31.14	661,055.18	38.93	9,771.43	670,826.61	29.850	85,732.48	756,559.09
HEATH	0.98	20,803.92	0.23	57.73	20,861.65	1.145	3,288.57	24,150.22
MONTAGUE	19.78	419,899.53	27.74	6,962.74	426,862.27	13.790	39,606.40	466,468.67
NEW SALEM	0.98	20,803.92	-0-	-0-	20,803.92	0.990	2,843.39	23,647.31
NORTHFIELD	5.98	126,946.37	3.73	936.23	127,882.60	5.445	15,638.64	143,521.24
ROWE	1.47	31,205.88	1.63	409.13	31,615.01	7.905	22,704.03	54,319.05
SHELBURNE	4.27	90,645.65	5.13	1,287.63	91,933.28	3.275	9,406.16	101,339.43
SUNDERLAND	2.69	57,104.64	0.93	233.43	57,338.07	4.510	12,953.22	70,291.29
WARWICK	0.62	13,161.66	0.93	233.43	13,395.09	1.145	3,288.57	16,683.66
WENDELL	1.95	41,395.56	1.17	293.67	41,689.23	1.160	3,331.65	45,020.88
WHATELY	2.81	59,652.06	1.17	293.67	59,945.73	2.390	6,864.34	66,810.07
	100.00%	2,122,849.00	100.00%	25,100.00	2,147,949.00	100.000%	287,211.00	2,435,160.00

FRANKLIN COUNTY TECHNICAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
FISCAL YEAR 1981 BUDGET
RECAPITULATION

OPERATING	
1000 ADMINISTRATION	108,531.
2000 INSTRUCTION	1,734,474.
3000 OTHER SCHOOL SERVICES	344,680.
4000 OPERATION & MAINTENANCE OF PLANT	369,070.
5000 FIXED CHARGES	152,100.
7000 ACQUISITION OF FIXED ASSETS	155,635.
SPECIAL EDUCATION	128,959.
OCCUPATIONAL EVENING PROGRAM	25,100.
OPERATING TOTAL	3,018,549.
LESS ESTIMATED REIMBURSEMENT	870,600.
TOTAL OPERATING TO BE ASSESSED TO TOWNS	2,147,949.
CAPITAL	
8000 DEBT RETIREMENT	345,000.
DEBT SERVICE	326,400.
CAPITAL TOTAL	671,400.
LESS ESTIMATED REIMBURSEMENT	384,189.
TOTAL CAPITAL TO BE ASSESSED TO TOWNS	287,211.

SUMMARY

Operating and Capital Budget Total	$ 3,689,949.
Less Estimated Reimbursements	1,254,789.
Total Assessment to Towns	$ 2,435,160.

REPORT OF THE O.C.I.P. COMMITTEE
(Obtain, Catalog, Index, and Preserve)

In February, Grace L. Randall was appointed by the Selectmen to fill the vacancy on the Committee.

The aim of the Committee this year has been to complete the microfilming of the Assessors' Valuation Lists to 1900.

Restoration has been necessary for many of the Records before they were microfilmed, particularly the Series of 1861-1899 which were flaky and with great mold. At the end of November, the Assessors' Valuation Lists have been microfilmed from 1737-1899. There are 15 rolls of film. Missing are the books for 1845, 1846, 1848, and 1853 in the Series 1840-1861, and books 1866, and 1887 in the Series 1861-1899.

This has been a major undertaking, and now that the films are in the Dickinson Memorial Library, anyone wishing to use the information which they contain can easily do so.

In October, Mr. Andrew Raymond of the New England Document Conservation Center asked our permission to make an additional copy of the tax records up to 1860 to be used by an archival intern who will be making a descriptive inventory of these records for his program at Merrimack College. Permission was granted and we will be pleased to receive a copy.

In August, our Administrative Assistant, James C. Moynihan filed for a Historic Conservation Application grant. On November 30th, we were awarded a $500.00 grant by the Arts and Humanities in support of project for Historic Conservation.

On February 25th, seven members met and Selectman Parenteau stated receiving the signed contract by the Attorney General's office. With the grant money of $500.00 and matching Town's fund voted at the Special Town Meeting October 10, 1979, it allows us to proceed with further restoration work and microfilming as specified in the grant application.

As Chairman, I wish to thank Mrs. Evelyn H. Parker for her unselfish devoted time given in getting these documents in filing order. For being a life-long resident and having a history background of Northfield, made her participation and services invaluable.

Also, the O.C.I.P. Committee wishes to thank the citizens of Northfield for their support of this very involved accomplishment.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn B. Parenteau, Chairman
Evelyn H. Parker, Secretary
Horace F. Field
Martha C. Peterson
Richard A. Giles
Rosa S. Johnston
Grace L. Randall

O.C.I.P. COMMITTEE

NORTHFIELD CIVIL DEFENSE

The Civil Defense department has responded to all alerts and communication exercises called by Area IV Headquarters.

One four-wheel drive truck was returned to the U. S. Government and a later model vehicle was acquired. This vehicle is now in use by Civil Defense and the Northfield Police Department.

Through the coordinated efforts of State Civil Defense, Selectmen, Police, Fire, Public Works, and health personnel, we were able to develope a Nuclear Emergency Response Plan for the Town of Northfield.

Respectfully submitted,

David J. Mroczek, Director

NORTHFIELD CIVIL DEFENSE

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' SERVICES

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen, Northfield, Mass.

Submitted herewith is a report of the activities of the Department of Veterans' Services of the Central Franklin County District and the Veterans' Benefits Department of the Town of Northfield for the year 1979.

SUMMARY OF CONTACTS

1.	Active Service	15
2.	Bonus	10
3.	Compensation	156
4.	Death Benefits	471
5.	Discharges	161
6.	Education	57
7.	Employment	115
8.	Finance	473
9.	Housing	16
10.	Insurance	67
11.	Legal	48
12.	Loans	68
13.	Medical	212
14.	Notarizations	51
15.	Pension	837
16.	Photostats	4299
17.	Recordings	38
18.	Selective Service	0
19.	Social Security	69
20.	Taxes	437
21.	Veterans' Benefits	3764
22.	Vital Statistics	117
23.	Unclassified	440
	Total Contacts	11921

The figures listed above represent contacts from the former servicemen and women in all of the various communities in the district.

The Veterans' Benefits Department of the Town of Northfield provided financial assistance to six cases during the year 1979. One of these cases was permanent in nature and the remaining five were classified as temporary situations. Gross expenditures for the year 1979 amounted to $2327.78. It is expected that the Commonwealth of Massachusetts will reimburse the town in the amount of $1163.89 in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 115, as amended Massachusetts General Laws.

Respectfully submitted,

Homer L. Gamelin,
Director of Veterans' Services
& Veterans' Agent

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT 1979

It is extremely important that the Vital Statistics records be complete and correct. If any errors or ommissions are discovered, the Clerk will deem it a favor to have them reported at once so that any corrections may be made.

As required by Chapter 46, Section 15 of the General Laws of Massachusetts:

Notice is hereby given that the Town Clerk will furnish blanks for returns of births to parents, householders, physicians and registered hospital officers applying for the same.

BIRTHS RECORDED IN 1979

DATE		PARENTS
February		
28	Smolen, Elijah Henry	Gary K. & Bonnie Lee
March		
7	Ray, Devin Peter	Richard G. & Jill
7	Worden, Leigh Garfield	Ralph G. & Carolyn A.
29	Castillo, Dylan Alexander Kingsbury	Federico A. & Ann L.
April		
2	Morgan, Shane Carl	Walter C. & Karen L.
May		
2	Tefft, Kelly Lou	Donald L. & Cheryl L.
7	Wood, Robert Alan, Jr.	Robert A. & Sue
June		
8	Robinson, Kelly Lynn	Richard T. & Brenda J.
28	Polhemus, Adam David	James L. & Darlene E.
July		
6	Holton, Jessica Ann	Frederick I. & Sandra J.
8	Williams, Colin Bradley	Terrence L. & Carol A.
19	Stone, Andrew Michael	David H. & Gail S.
29	Griffin, Ryan Patrick	Earl P. & Tina M.
August		
7	Barnes, Jamie Rae	Raymond M. & Patti Jean
9	Knapp, Timothy Michael	Gary A. & Marian A.
20	Olsen, Orla Christian	Robert O. & Berkeley E.
29	Bonnett, Christopher Edward	David A. & Marsha J.
September		
15	Doolittle, Jennifer Marie	James E. & Patricia A.
October		
4	Chapman, Sydney Elizabeth Chastain	Antony U. & Sarah F.
18	Otto, Kelda	Robert W. & Joni E.
25	Raymond, Nicholas Joe	George T. & Brenda B.
November		
19	Field, Ian Patrick	Jeffory A. & Robin E.
December		
18	Browne, Wendy Sayer	Bruce C. & Nan G.
18	Williams, Jason Albert	Larry J. & Kathleen M.

DEATHS RECORDED IN 1979

Date	Name	Age Yrs.	Mos.	Days
January				
13	Mosse, Alice E.	89	2	16
21	Witalisz, Joseph	86	2	10
May				
6	Sandlin, Joel E.	47	3	9
June				
7	Medeiros, Michael Joseph	14	4	1
19	Davis, Archer L.	69	8	11
July				
23	Edson, Mary E.	61	6	4
30	LaCount, Fred	77	0	2
August				
3	Illig, Dorothy (Lawrence)	67	10	14
10	Dorchester, Louise (Mueller)	86	5	20
20	Colton, Ada Starr	103	1	13
27	Black, Watson Ellsworth	67	9	18
September				
5	Emond, Kerry Harmel	22	5	10
20	Darby, Jessie Hall	75	1	5
October				
14	Ryther, Herbert Horace	74	2	13
December				
15	Dresser, Margaret (Thomas)	76	9	22

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN 1979

Date	Name & Residence	Place of Marriage
January		
20	Boliski, Edward Thomas, Northfield, Ma. No I Wiles, Dixie (Howard), Bernardston, Ma.	Greenfield, Mass.
February		
24	Gorham, Thomas Alvin, Brattleboro, Vt. Chabre, Ruth Elaine, Brattleboro, Vt.	Lancaster, Mass.
April		
7	Coppinger, Barry Robert, Northfield, Ma. No I Keyes, Anne Roberts (Homme), Northfield, Ma.	Amherst, Mass.
28	Glabach, Bernard Charles, Leyden, Ma. Johnson, Carol Morse, Northfield, Mass.	Northfield, Mass.
29	Porter, Thomas Allen, Dummerston, Vt. Redden, Janet Kight, Dummerston, Vt.	Weston, Mass.
May		
19	White, Harry Clarence, Northfield, Ma. No I Strysko, Joyce Elaine (Escott), Montague, Ma.	Turners Falls, Mass.
June		
9	Smith, Neil Clark, Toms River, N.J. No I McCollester, Kerry Ann, Northfield, Ma.	Northfield, Mass.
July		
9	LeBlanc, Philip Edward, Keene, N.H. no La I Walker, Beverly Jean (Bowen), Keene, N.H.	Beverly, Mass.

July		
14	Murley, Daniel Robert, Northfield, Ma. Powers, Diane Marie, Greenfield, Ma.	Greenfield, Mass.
August		
11	Stevens, Donald John, Northfield, Ma. Sweet, Sherry Lynn, Northfield, Ma.	Northfield, Mass.
September		
8	Williams, Howard James, Northfield, Ma. Verrill, Coleen Ruth, Vernon, Vt.	Vernon, Vermont
15	Montgomery, Paul William, Winchester, N.H. Livingstone, Colleen Marie, Northfield, Ma.	Northfield, Mass.
October		
11	Smith, Neal Edward, Northfield, Ma. Pugh, Louise Greenwood, Northfield, Ma.	Northfield, Mass.
13	Milnes, Bradford A., Beverly, Ma. Elgosin, Joan A., Peabody, Ma.	Northfield, Mass.
20	Hobday, George Frederick, Towson, Ma. Fenrich, Barbara Mary, Baltimore, Md.	Northfield, Mass.
November		
9	Whitney, Robert C., Jr., Erving, Ma. Reed, Jennifer L., Erving, Ma.	Northfield, Mass.
23	Grant, Daniel C., Greenfield, Ma. James, Susan P., Northfield, Ma.	Vernon, Vermont
25	Libardoni, Alan Keith, Brattleboro, Vt. Gordon, Sherryl Lynn, Brattleboro, Vt.	Salem, Mass.
25	Turner, Douglas Allen, Northfield, Ma. Browning, Rebecca May, Northfield, Ma.	Northfield, Mass.
December		
4	Kalish, Mark Richard, Northfield, Ma. Miller, Kathleen Margaret, Northfield, Ma.	Greenfield, Mass.
29	Knipe, Stephen Dearborn, Lebanon, N.H. Mattison, Linda Marie (Cartwright), Lebanon, N.H.	Gill, Mass.

10/6/79 Sibley Alan
Foster Barbara

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

May 7 and 8, 1979

The polls were opened at ten A.M. and closed at eight P.M. and it was determined that 715 votes had been cast with the following results:

Moderator, three years	
George M. Leonard	643
Blanks	72
Town Clerk, one year	
Horace F. Field	522
Alice B. Kiablick	186
Blanks	7
Selectman, three years	
Kenneth Miller	559
Edward Metcalf	6
Fernand Caron	6
Jonathan Fowler	1
Dwight Stearns	2
Kenneth O'Brien	1
Robert Phelps	1
Stanley Wickey	1
Frank Podlenski	1
Blanks	137
Assessor, three years	
William G. Roberts	619
Blanks	96
Treasurer, three years	
Grace T. Young	620
Rosemary Doyle	1
Blanks	94
School Committee, three years	
Noelle T. Anson	266
Desmond S. Chambers	375
Mary E. Llewelyn	396
Barbara J. Richardson	283
Blanks	110
PVRS Committee, three years	
Chadwick T. Glover	427
Patricia Lemon	249
Blanks	39
Library Trustees, three years	
Marcia A. Edes	351
Richard A. Giles	495
Ann N. Graves	409
Sue Roszkowski	1
Blanks	174
Tree Warden, three years	
Richard H. Bassett	641
Blanks	74
Cemetery Commissioner, three years	
Roger E. Bassett	641
Watson Black	1
Blanks	73
Planning Board, five years	
Thomas R. Shearer	605
Blanks	110

Planning Board, two years	
Edwin H. LaMontagne, Jr.	230
William S. Messer	460
Blanks	25
Planning Board, one year	
Richard M. Davis	270
Natalie L. Tunison	412
Blanks	33
Board of Health, three years	
Suzanne V. Handren	600
Eugene Miller	1
Blanks	114
Board of Health, one year	
Warren W. Blake	506
Eugene Miller	10
Alan Rogers	2
Patricia Jurek	1
Blanks	196
Sewer Commissioner, three years	
Allen M. Sibley	559
Rosa Johnston	1
Blanks	155
Recreation Commission, three years	
Gilbert G. Rochon	526
Raymond A. Tillson	541
Loren Byrom	1
Blanks	362
Recreation Commission, one year	
Robert J. Roszkowski	584
Joanne Spencer	1
Blanks	130

After reading the above results, the meeting was dissolved.

ATTEST: Horace F. Field

TOWN CLERK

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

May 8, 1979

Approximately 200 voters assembled in accordance with the warrant at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Mr. George M. Leonard, Moderator, and Rev. Arthur Green gave the invocation. Happy Birthday greetings were sung to Rev. Green who was celebrating his 90th birthday.

Article 1. VOTED: That the reading of all articles be waived and that prior to the reading of a motion under any article the moderator briefly summarize the content of the article about to be considered; and further that, unless objection is raised, the reading of detailed motions be waived where the articles as printed can, in the opinion of the moderator, be incorporated by reference in any motion presented.

Article 2. VOTED: That the Town hear and act upon the reports of the several Town Officers, Boards, Committees, Commissioners and Trustees.

Article 3. VOTED: That the Town, under the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 4 of the Massachusetts General Laws, as amended, authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1979, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one (1) year, and under the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 17, to renew any debt or debts incurred hereunder to be paid from the revenue of the said fiscal year.

Article 4. VOTED: That the Town, under the provisions of Chapter 40, Section 5, Clauses 16 and 16A of the Massachusetts General Laws, as amended, authorize the Board of Selectmen to employ legal counsel for general purposes and to prosecute or bring suits for the Town and to defend the Town in any suit or other legal action brought against the Town.

Article 5. VOTED: That the Town, under the provisions of Chapter 258, Section 9 of the Massachusetts General Laws, as amended, indemnify town employees, on a case by case basis by vote of the Town, from personal financial loss and expenses, including legal fees and costs, if any, in an amount not to exceed one million dollars, arising out of any claim, action, award, compromise, settlement or judgment by reason of an intentional tort, or by reason of any act or omission which constitutes a violation of the civil rights of any person under any federal or state law, if such employee or official at the time of such intentional tort or such act or omission was acting within the scope of his official duties or employment. No such employee or official shall be indemnified under this section for violation of any such civil rights if he acted in a grossly negligent, willful or malicious manner.

Article 6. VOTED: That the Town, under the provisions of Chapter 258, Section 9 of the Massachusetts General Laws, as amended, raise and appropriate $2,250.00 for the purchase of Public Official Liability Insurance to indemnify town employees from personal financial loss and expenses, including legal fees and costs, not to exceed one million dollars arising out of any claim, action, award, compromise, settlement or judgment by reason of an intentional tort, or by reason of any act or omission which constitutes a violation of the civil rights of any person under any federal or state law; if such employee or official at the time of such intentional tort or such act or omission was acting within the scope of his official duties or employment. No such employee or official shall be indemnified under this section for violation of any such civil rights if he acted in a grossly negligent, willful or malicious manner.

Article 7. VOTED: That the Town, under the provisions of Chapter 41, Section 108 of the General Laws of Massachusetts, as amended, fix the salaries of all elected officials for Fiscal Year 1980, and further voted that the Moderator read the amounts recommended by the Finance Committee to be raised and appropriated under this Article, and unless objection is made, each item recommended in the report of the Finance Committee shall be tentatively accepted as appropriated for the purpose stated. If objection is made to any recommendation, such appropriation shall be taken up separately and the amount thereof and the manner of making the same shall be determined by vote of the meeting and tentatively accepted, and after all appropriations have been tentatively accepted, one vote shall be taken appropriating each amount so accepted as a single appropriation, not to be exceeded.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

TITLE			APPROPRIATION 1979	APPROPRIATION 1980
Moderator				
Salary			54.00	58.00
Expenses			46.00	50.00
Finance Committee Expenses			75.00	75.00
Selectmen	1979	1980	2875.50	3076.00
Chairman	995.50	1066.00		
Members	940.00	1005.00		
Expenses			2000.00	2000.00
Secretary			2827.00	4088.00

Accountant		
Salary	4000.00	4280.00
Expenses	200.00	200.00
Treasurer		
Salary	2560.00	2739.00
Expenses	1450.00	1450.00
Tax Title Foreclosure Cost	350.00	350.00
Protection Tax Title Property	25.00	25.00
Interest	900.00	500.00
Tax Collector		
Salary	2415.00	2584.00
Expenses	2000.00	2500.00
Assessors	2560.00	2738.00
1979 1980		
Chairman 890.00 952.00		
Others 835.00 893.00		
Expense	2200.00	2400.00
Town Counsel		
Fee	3500.00	3500.00
Litigation	1000.00	1000.00
Expenses	500.00	500.00
Town Clerk		
Salary	1447.00	1548.00
Expenses	200.00	200.00
Elections and Registrations	2500.00	2500.00
Town Reports	1500.00	1500.00
Planning Board Expenses	700.00	300.00
Appeals Board Expenses	250.00	200.00
Town Hall		
Wage - Custodian)	12000.00	3067.00
Maintenance)		8555.00
Copy Machine Paper, Supplies & Repairs	1000.00	1500.00
Town Clock	150.00	150.00
Board of Health	618.00	660.00
1979 1980		
Each Member 206.00 220.00		
Sewer Commission	618.00	660.00
Each Member 206.00 220.00		
Elementary School Committee	835.00	890.00
1979 1980		
Each Member 167.00 178.00		
Total	53355.50	55843.00

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Police Department		
Chief Salary	14734.00	14606.00*
*Chief Schmitter received 13650.00		
Special Police Wages)	7200.00	8350.00
Chief's Vacation Replacement Account)	1000.00	
Expenses	9000.00	9165.00
Secretary	2827.00	4088.00
Fire Department		
Chief Salary	500.00	535.00
Forest Fire Warden	200.00	200.00
Public Safety	100.00	100.00
Wages-Members (24)	-- *	6610.00
*Included in Operating Expenses in 1979.		
Secretary	150.00	150.00
Fire Dept. Operating Expense	9500.00	3800.00
Hydrants	500.00	500.00
Hose and Equipment	2500.00	2500.00
Water Holes	1000.00	1000.00
Maintenance Fire Station	4500.00	7000.00
Tree Department		
Wages	-- *	5900.00
*Included in item below in 1979.		
Tree Trimming, Plang & Dutch Elm	6400.00	500.00
Insect and Pest Control	413.06	413.06
Wire Inspector		
Salary	1200.00	1200.00
Expenses	--	100.00
Building Commissioner		
Salary	4000.00	4280.00
Expenses	450.00	400.00
Civil Defense	1868.00	750.00
Total	68042.06	72147.06

HEALTH AND SANITATION

Board of Health		
Nurse and Substitute	13780.00	14744.00
Nurse's Expense	800.00	800.00
Homemaker/Home Health Services	5000.00	6000.00
Clerk	2827.00	900.00
Car Expense	500.00	550.00
Night Nurse	--	3200.00
Supervisor	--	900.00
Health	2000.00	1500.00
Dog Officer	400.00	500.00
Animal Inspector	477.00	477.00
Sewer		
Expense of Commissioner	75.00	75.00
Operation of Sewers		
Wages)	25735.00	16528.00
Plant Operation)		11460.00
Landfill		
Wages)	9500.00	4776.00
Expenses)		8887.00
Mosquitoe Spraying	3250.00	3445.00
Total	64344.00	74742.00

TOWN ROADS AND RELATED EXPENSES

Highway Department		
Supt. Expenses	750.00	760.00
Wages		
1979 Vacations, Etc.	8172.00	55362.00
Other Wages 1979 included in following items below		19343.00*
*Snow Removal		
Highway Tools)	1500.00	1000.00
Garage Tools)		2000.00
Snow Removal	29000.00	23517.00
Machinery Maintenance	34000.00	34310.00
Highways, Bridges & Railings	50000.00	24660.00
Culverts	--	3848.50
Sidewalks	2000.00	2000.00
Street Lights	28000.00	25000.00
Highway Bounds, Surveys, Street Lists	50.00	25.00
Total	153472.00	191825.50

VETERANS		
Memorial Day	515.00	620.00
Soldiers Relief	6000.00	4500.00
Total	6515.00	5120.00
RECREATION AND CONSERVATION		
Recreation Program	6000.00	5800.00
Maintenance Athletic Field	600.00	600.00
Conservation Commission	200.00	200.00
Fish	300.00	300.00
Total	7100.00	6900.00
CEMETERIES		
Cemetery		
Wages & Contractural Services)	2000.00	1900.00
Expenses)		100.00
Total	2000.00	2000.00
LIBRARIES		
Dickinson Library		
Salaries & Wages)	25374.00	17050.00
Expenses)		8195.00
Northfield Farms Library	250.00	250.00
Total	25624.00	25495.00
EDUCATION		
Elementary School	387382.00	402424.00
PVRS Operation	402285.03	415886.42
Franklin County Tech. Dist. Cap.	18056.05	16871.82
Franklin County Tech. Dist. Operation	106062.24	97352.30
Total	913785.32	932534.54
MISCELLANEOUS		
Historical Building	200.00	200.00
Historical Commission	200.00	200.00
Alexander Hall	400.00	400.00
Insurance	30000.00	37500.00
Chapter 32B (Blue Cross-Blue Shield)	22500.00	24750.00
Land Damage	100.00	100.00
Fence Viewers, Pound Keepers, Field Drivers	25.00	25.00
Total	53425.00	63175.00
GRAND TOTAL	1347662.88	1429782.10

(Article 7. Motion 2.) VOTED: That all the salaries of each elected official for the Fiscal Year 1980 be fixed at the amount hereafter appropriated therefor.

(Article 7. Motion 3.) VOTED: That all appropriations having been tentatively accepted, one vote shall be taken appropriating each amount accepted as a single appropriation not to be exceeded.

The following Resolution was read by Mrs. Carolyn B. Parenteau:

RESOLUTION

'WHEREAS the efficient administration of Town affairs is achieved through the largely voluntary assumption of official responsiblities by elected or appointed officers combined with the loyal and faithful service of salaried employees, and,

WHEREAS certain persons have during the past year concluded periods of service during which they have made substantial contribution to the public weal,

BE IT RESOLVED that the names and nature of service by the following named persons be herewith noticed and recorded in the minutes of this Annual Town Meeting of May 1979 in grateful recognition of their work on behalf of the Town:

Fernand A. Caron - Board of Selectmen
Edward I. Metcalf - Board of Selectmen
Chadwick T. Glover - Elementary School Committee
Warren W. Blake - PVRS School Committee
Desmond S. Chambers - Library Trustee
Helen S. Monroe - Planning Board
Richard G. Parsons - Planning Board
Edwin H. LaMontagne, Jr. - Planning Board
John A. Hogan - Planning Board & Registrar of Voters (Deceased)
John F. Jurkowski - Board of Health
John F. Ladd - Board of Health
Alan W. Rogers - Board of Health
Samuel A. Richardson - Recreation Commission
Edith G. Waaser - Recreation Commission
Eugene L. Miller - Animal Inspector & Health Inspector
Everon P. Pollen - Plumbing Inspector
Brian J. Scott - Chief of Police
Edward M. Powell, Jr. - Election Officer
Doris S. Balk - Historical Commission
Ray Thompson - Historical Commission (Deceased)
Ralph K. Leach - Board of Appeals, Building Code Board of Appeals, Planning Bd.-Board of Appeals, & Registrar of Voters
Henry C. Hertsch - Superintendent of Streets
Paul M. Mayberry - Finance Committee
Stanley J. Powers - Finance Committee
Irwin M. Severance, Jr. - Conservation Commission

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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Article 8. VOTED: That the Town transfer from the Overlay Reserve Fund $9,000 for a Reserve Fund for the current fiscal year as provided by Chapter 59, Section 25 of the Massachusetts General Laws as amended.

Article 9. VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate $5,000 for the purpose of providing funds to comply with the provisions of the Massachusetts Employment Security Law designated as Chapter 720 of the Acts of 1977.

Article 10. VOTED: That the Town authorize the Assessors to appoint one of their members as Clerk of and to the Board of Assessors, in accord with the provisions of Chapter 41, Section 4A of the Massachusetts General Laws, and/or to employ a Clerk, and for this purpose raise and appropriate $2,140 for such employee.

Article 11. VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate $500 for the purchase of a new electric typewriter to be used by the Board of Assessors.

Article 12. VOTED: That the Town accept and appropriate $527.69 provided by the County, designated as the "Dog Fund", to the Dickinson Memorial Library in accord with the provisions of Chapter 140, Section 172.

Article 13. VOTED: That the Town appropriate the sum of $926.25 already received from the Commonwealth for public library purposes, in accord with the provisions contained in Chapter 760 of the Acts of 1960.

Article 14. VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate $2,431.00 for the purpose of providing Mental Health and Retardation Services for citizens of the Town, and that any sum so appropriated be transferred to the Franklin-Hampshire Area Board Trust Fund under the direction and approval of the Board of Select - men.

Article 15. VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate $500 for the Council on Aging for expenses and for the purpose of providing home care, nutrition services to Senior Citizens of the Town of Northfield.

Article 16. VOTED: That the Town authorize the Selectmen to enter into a contract with David Quinn of Northfield, Massachusetts, or his nominee, to provide ambulance service to residents of the Town, such contract to be for a term not to exceed one (1) year and on such other terms and conditions as the Selectmen shall determine and to further raise and appropriate $6,000 for said purpose.

Article 17. VOTED: That the Town accept from the Northfield Mount Hermon School, a Massachusetts Corporation, a sum of $3,000 to be appropriated for and applied to the Town expenditure for Fiscal Year '80 under the Town's contract for the provisions of ambulance service.

Article 18. VOTED: That the Town hear the report of the Committee appointed to study the Cemetery needs of the Town, including acquisition of additional land therefor. (No recommendations made)

Article 19. VOTED: That the Town raise and and appropriate $500 for the purchase of new lawn mowers and related equipment for general use for the Town's Cemeteries.

Article 20. VOTED: That the Town accept any or all of the following sums of money, for the following purposes:

(a) From Roland F. Bardwell, P.O. Box 1196, Claremont, N.H., for Perpetual Care of Mary E. Bardwell (and Aldrich) Lot #76½, in West Northfield Cemetery. $200.00

(b) From Hartley L. & Flora M. Bosworth, for Perpetual Care of Lots #167 & 168 in West Northfield Cemetery. $175.00

Article 21. VOTED: That the Town accept and expend the sum of $45,000.00 and/or any other such sum or sums of money that may be made available, under the provisions of Chapter 356 of the Acts of 1977, an Act providing for funds for Chapter 90-type construction projects, and to meet this appropriation, transfer said sum or sums from available funds for Fiscal Year 1980 in anticipation of reimbursement from the Commonwealth.

Article 22. VOTED: That the Town transfer from the Machinery Earnings Account of the town, the sum of $1,300 to the Machinery Maintenance Account.

Article 23. VOTED: That the Town transfer the sum of $32,500 from the Federal Revenue Sharing Account for the purchase of a new 1979-1980 Diesel Dump Truck and related equipment for the Highway Department, and further to dispose of the 1971 International Truck Chassis.

Article 24. DEFEATED: That the Town raise and appropriate $8,047.00 for insulating the metal building at the rear of the Highway Garage.

Article 25. PASSED OVER: That the Town raise and appropriate $1,000 for the installation of a heating system in the metal building at the rear of the Highway Garage.

Article 26. VOTED: That the Town transfer the sum of $10,527.71 from the Gulf Road Account to the Highways, Bridges and Railings Account.

Article 27. VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate $2,000 to purchase safety equipment for use by the Northfield Highway Department.

Article 28. VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate $2,285.38 to purchase six (6) new tires for the Town's Road Grader, and two (2) new tires for the Town's Bucket Loader.

Article 29. VOTED UNANIMOUSLY: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $175.00 for expenses incurred by the Highway Department during Fiscal Year 1978, which was unable to be paid during said Fiscal Year, in accord with the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 64 of the General Laws of Massachusetts.

Article 30. VOTED: That the Town join the Franklin Regional Transit Authority pursuant to Section 3 of Chapter 161B of the Massachusetts General Laws, as amended.

Article 31. VOTED: That the Town authorize the Selectmen to accept a deed or deeds from the owners of land granting a fee simple interest in real estate bounded and described as printed under Article 31 of the Warrant for the Northfield Annual Town Meeting held on May 8, 1979.

Article 32. VOTED: That the Town authorize the Selectmen to accept from the owner of land an easement for storm drainage purposes and sloping easements, over, under and across land bounded and described as printed under Article 32 of the Warrant for the Northfield Annual Town Meeting held on May 8, 1979.

Article 33. VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate $1,700 for the continuing maintenance, purchase of supplies, preservation, indexing and microfilming of Town or historical records or memorabilia of the Town's history and development, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

Article 34. VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate $350 for the purchase of a new commercial type vacuum cleaner for the Town Hall and further to trade in the present Electrolux vacuum cleaner.

Article 35. VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate $13,000 to furnish, install and paint fortyseven (47) new sash in the six existing semi-circular window frames in the auditorium of the Town Hall.

Article 36. VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate $1,600 to furnish, install and paint one pair of doors, including all necessary hardware, for the front entrance to the Town Hall.

Article 37. VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate $1,000 for the excavation and sealing of the outside, downstairs foundation walls of the Town Hall to prevent water seepage.

Article 38. VOTED: That the Town amend Article 41 of the Annual Town Meeting held on February 7, 1949 to allow the Town to convert to office space, a portion of the upstairs room in the Town Hall used by the Posts of American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States.

Article 39. VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate, $504.00 for the purchase and installation of aluminum storm and screen windows, and painting of existing sash for the Northfield Fire Station and Garage Building.

Article 40. VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate $1,300 for the purchase and installation of insulation in the attic of the Northfield Fire Station.

Article 41. PASSED OVER: That the Town raise and appropriate $2,800 for the purpose of installing insulation in the attic of the Northfield Elementary School, North Building.

Article 42. DEFEATED: Yes, 104 - No, 131. That the Town adopt the Historical District By-Law as printed under Article 42 of the Warrant for the Northfield Annual Town Meeting held on May 8, 1979 all in accord with Chapter 40C of the General Laws, as amended.

Article 43. PASSED OVER: That the Town raise and appropriate $200 for expenses to be incurred by the Northfield Historic District Committee.

Article 44. VOTED: That the Town authorize the Selectmen to appoint a committee of at least five (5) members to study the possibility of assuming the assets and liabilities of the Northfield Water District and the East Northfield Water Company, and to present its report to the Town at the next annual or special Town Meeting.

Article 45. VOTED: That the Town accept the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 8G, allowing the Northfield Police Department to enter into a Mutual Aid contract with other Franklin County towns.

Article 46. VOTED: That the Town instruct the Moderator to appoint a study committee of not less than five (5) persons to investigate the formation of a regional Police Department, and to report on or before the next annual Town Meeting.

Article 47. PASSED OVER: That the Town allow the combination of the offices of Town Clerk, Town Treasurer and Tax Collector.

Article 48. PASSED OVER: That the Town amend the protective zoning by-law for the Town of Northfield by adding a new Section 10 designated Flood Plain District Regulations as printed under Argicle 48 of the Warrant for the Northfield Annual Town Meeting held on May 8, 1979.

Article 49. PASSED OVER: That the Town raise and appropriate for the Stabilization Fund.

Article 50. VOTED UNANIMOUSLY: That the Town transfer the sum of $70,000.00 from available funds for the purpose of reducing the tax levy for Fiscal Year 1980, and to retain the sum of $24,678.00 and such additional free cash to be certified as of July 1, 1979 in the surplus revenue account.

Article 51. VOTED UNANIMOUSLY: That the Town to the extent monies appropriated at this meeting exceed any limits that may be imposed by any property tax or spending limitation legislation which may become effective; such excess is hereby ratified and confirmed as an act of the Town.

Article 52. DEFEATED: Yes, 45 - No, 51. That the Town instruct the Moderator to appoint a committee consisting of three members to study the combining of elected officials positions, and to report on or before the next Annual Town Meeting.

The Meeting was dissolved at 11:30 P.M.

ATTEST: Horace F. Field
TOWN CLERK

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

October 10, 1979

Approximately 52 voters assembled in accordance with the Warrant. The Meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by Mr. George M. Leonard, Moderator, and the invocation was given by Rev. Arthur Green.

The reading of the Warrant was waived and the following articles were acted upon:

Article 1. VOTED: That the Town endorse the recommendation of its member to the Franklin Regional Transit Authority authorizing transportation service to, from or within the Town, including the committment by the Town, of its share of any deficit as a result of such service.

Article 2. VOTED: That the Town accept from the Northfield Mount Hermon School, a Massachusetts Corporation, a sum of $2,000.00, to be applied to the General Fund of the Town to offset the Town's expenditure for Fiscal Year 1980 for the Franklin Regional Transit Authority to provide bus service in the Town of Northfield.

Article 3. VOTED: That the Town transfer from available funds to the O.C.I.P. Committee, a sum or sums of money not to exceed $2,224.16 in anticipation of partial reimbursement from the Massachusetts Council on Arts and Humanities' Historic Conservation Program for the purpose of preserving and indexing Town Records. The O.C.I.P. Committee shall take no action with regards to the expenditure of the sum or sums of money approved in this Article until said Committee has received official notification by the Massachusetts Council on Arts and Humanities that the O.C.I.P. Committee's grant application for funding under the Massachusetts Council on Arts and Humanities' Historic Conservation Program has been approved.

Article 4. VOTED: That the Town authorize the Selectmen to accept from the owner of land, an easement for storm drainage purposes, over, under and across land in Northfield, Massachusetts, more particularly described as follows:

> Beginning at the southwest corner of said easement, said corner is marked by a post on the south boundary of the land of grantor and the north boundary of Old Turnpike Road, said post is approximately two hundred and eighty (280) feet more or less east of the intersection of Commonwealth Ave. with Old Turnpike Road; thence in a northerly direction from said post one hundred and twenty (120) feet more or less to a post; thence easterly twenty (20) feet more or less to a point; thence southerly to the corner of the east boundary of the land of the grantor and the north boundary of Old Turnpike Road; thence west twenty (20) feet more or less along said north boundary of the Old Turnpike Road and the south boundary of the land of the grantor to the point of beginning.
>
> Being a portion of the premises conveyed by deed of Rose M. Hemming to Doris M. Carlson dated August 6, 1968, and recorded in the Franklin County Registry of Deeds, Book 1229, Page 72.

Article 5. PASSED OVER: That the Town accept the revised preliminary Flood Insurance Rate Maps.

Article 6. VOTED: That the Town transfer $157.28 unexpended as appropriated under Article 36 of the 1979 Annual Town Meeting and in addition, transfer $2,827.72 from available funds required as a further appropriation for the account as voted under Article 35 of the 1979 Annual Town Meeting required for the purpose of replacing windows within the Town Hall.

Article 7. VOTED: That the Town transfer from available funds $790.00 required for two (2) additional stage windows and vents in the Town Hall to keep the aesthetics the same with the other newly installed windows.

Article 8. VOTED: That the Town transfer from available funds the amount of $250.00 to fill in and grade the area around the foundation of the Historical Society building.

Article 9. VOTED: That the Town rescind the portion of Article 27 of the Special Town Meeting held on September 20, 1971 to trade in or otherwise dispose of the 1942 International Forest Fire Truck.

Article 10. VOTED: That the Town retain the 1942 International Forest Fire Truck.

The Meeting was dissolved at 9:00 P.M.

ATTEST: Horace F. Field
TOWN CLERK

DOG LICENSES ISSUED IN 1979

Male Dogs	93
Female	10
Female (Spayed)	85
Special Kennel ($10.00)	10
Special Kennel ($25.00)	3

SPORTING LICENSES ISSUED IN 1979

Resident Citizen Fishing	79
Resident Citizen Hunting	85
Resident Citizen Sporting	78
Resident Citizen Minor Fishing	8
Resident Alien Fishing	0
Non-Resident Citizen/Alien 7-day Fishing	3
Non-Resident Citizen/Alien Fishing	47
Non-Resident Citizen/Alien Hunting (Small Game)	8
Non-Resident Citizen/Alien Commercial Shooting Preserve 3-day.	0
Resident Citizen Minor Trapping	1
Resident Citizen Trapping	0
Duplicates	8
Resident Alien Hunting	0
Non-Resident Citizen/Alien Hunting (Big Game)	6
Resident Citizen Sporting Over 70	27
Resident Citizen Fishing Paraplegic, Blind, Mentally Retarded	2
Resident Citizen Hunting Paraplegic	0
Archery Stamps	20
Mass. Waterfowl Stamps	17
Resident Citizen Fishing Age 65-69	8
Resident Citizen Hunting Age 65-69	2
Resident Citizen Sporting Age 65-69	3

OTHER LICENSES AND PERMITS ISSUED IN 1979

Innholder	0
Raffles-Bazaars	4
Gasoline and Fuel	4
Auctioneer Licenses	4
1-Day Auctioneer's License	0

Respectfully submitted,

Horace F. Field
TOWN CLERK

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS REPORT 1979

Northfield's Cemeteries have received their usual care and maintenance during 1979. Expenditures for same may be found in the report of the Town Accountant.

The Commission has also continued to serve on the Committee appointed to study the cemetery needs of the town.

We wish to report the following receipts:

From Mrs. Alice Fuller, 50 Riverview Road, Rocky Hill, Conn., for Lot #82B in West Northfield Cemetery.	$ 35.00
From Kathryn S. Livingston, Pentecost Road, Northfield, Mass., for Lot #30A in Mount Hermon Cemetery.	$ 30.00
For Perpetual Care of same,	100.00
From A. Lawrence and Doris W. Tyler for Lot #5A2 in West Northfield Cemetery.	$ 45.00
For Perpetual Care of same,	100.00
From Richard L. and Margaret E. Tyler for Lot #5A2 in West Northfield Cemetery.	$ 50.00
For Perpetual Care of same,	100.00
From Charlotte M. Black, 129 Birnam Road, Northfield, Mass. for Lot #28A in Mount Hermon Cemetery.	$ 50.00
For Perpetual Care of same,	100.00
Total	$ 610.00

Respectfully submitted,

Richard H. Bassett
Roger E. Bassett
Horace F. Field

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

TOWN WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

FRANKLIN, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Northfield in the County of Franklin,

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet at the

TOWN HALL

in said Northfield on Monday, the fifth day of May next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to bring in their votes by ballot for the following officers for the coming year:

Town Clerk for one year; one Selectman for three years; one Selectman for two years; Assessor for three years; School Committee member for three years; School Committee member for one year; two Library Trustees for three years; Cemetery Commissioner for three years; Planning Board member for five years; three Constables for three years; Constable from Northfield Farms for three years; one Board of Health member for three years; Sewer Commissioner for three years; two Recreation Commission members for three years; and to vote on the following question:

QUESTION:

> Shall the Town vote to accept the provisions of Section 13 of Chapter 258 of the General Laws, which provides that the Town shall indemnify and save harmless municipal officers, elected or appointed, from personal financial loss and expense including reasonable legal fees and costs, if any, in an amount not to exceed one million dollars, arising out of any claim, demand, suit or judgment by reason of any act or omission except an intentional violation of civil rights of any person under any law, if the official at the time of such act or omission was acting within the scope of his official duties or employment?

The polls will open at ten A.M. and close at eight P.M.

And you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Northfield, qualified to vote in Town affairs, to meet in the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday, May 6, 1980 at seven o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to waive the reading of the Warrant and act on the motions of the following articles, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to hear and act upon the reports of the several Town Officers, Boards, Committees, Commissioners and Trustees, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote under the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 4 of the Massachusetts General Laws, as amended, to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the current fiscal year beginning July 1, 1980, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one (1) year, and under the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 17, to renew any such note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one (1) year, any debt or debts incurred hereunder to be paid from the revenue of the said fiscal year, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote under the provisions of Chapter 40, Section 5, Clauses 16 and 16A of the Massachusetts General Laws, as amended, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to employ legal counsel for general purposes and to prosecute or bring suits for the Town and to defend the Town in any suit or other legal action brought against the Town, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote under the provisions of Chapter 258, Section 9 of the Massachusetts General Laws, as amended, to indemnify town employees, on a case by case basis by vote of the Town, from personal financial loss and expenses, including legal fees and costs, if any, in an amount not to exceed one million dollars, arising out of any claim, action, award, compromise, settlement or judgment by reason of an intentional tort, or by reason of any act or omission which constitutes a violation of the civil rights of any person under any federal or state law, if such employee or official at the time of such intentional tort or such act or omission was acting within the scope of his official duties or employment. No such employee or official shall be indemnified under this section for violation of any such civil rights if he acted in a grossly negligent, willful or malicious manner; and to raise and appropriate, or otherwise provide, any sum or sums of money for said purpose, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote under the provisions of Chapter 258, Section 9 of the Massachusetts General Laws, as amended, to indemnify town employees from personal financial loss and expenses, including legal fees and costs, if any, and to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide, any sum or sums of money, not to exceed one million dollars arising out of any claim, action, award, compromise, settlement or judgment by reason of an intentional tort, or by reason of any act or omission which constitutes a violation of the civil rights of any person under any federal or state law; if such employee or official at the time of such intentional tort or such act or omission was acting within the scope of his official duties or employment. No such employee or official shall be indemnified under this section for violation of any such civil rights if he acted in a grossly negligent, willful or malicious manner; or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

> The Finance Committee recommends to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,250.00 to purchase Public Official Liability Insurance.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote under the provisions of Chapter 41, Section 108 of the General Laws of Massachusetts, as amended, to fix the salaries of all elected officials for Fiscal Year '81, and raise and appropriate any sum or sums of money therefor, and further raise and appropriate any sum or sums of money for the maintenance of the several departments of the Town and for other necessary charges, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

TITLE			APPROPRIATION 1980	APPROPRIATION 1981
Moderator				
Salary			58.00	58.00
Expenses			50.00	50.00
Finance Committee Expenses			75.00	75.00
Selectmen	1980	1981	3076.00	3076.00
Chairman	1066.00	1066.00		
Members	1005.00	1005.00		
Expenses			2000.00	2073.00
Secretary			4088.00	4992.00
Accountant				
Salary			4280.00	4280.00
Expenses			200.00	225.00

Treasurer		
Salary	2739.00	2739.00
Expenses	1450.00	1450.00
Tax Title Foreclosure Cost	350.00	350.00
Protection Tax Title Property	25.00	25.00
Interest	500.00	100.00
Tax Collector		
Salary	2584.00	2584.00
Expenses	2500.00	2500.00
Assessors	2738.00	2738.00
Chairman 952.00 952.00		
Others 893.00 893.00		
Expense	2400.00	2600.00
Town Counsel		
Fee	3500.00	3500.00
Litigation	1000.00	1000.00
Expenses	500.00	500.00
Town Clerk		
Salary	1548.00	1548.00
Expenses	200.00	200.00
Elections & Registration	2500.00	2500.00
Town Reports	1500.00	1000.00
Planning Board Expenses	300.00	200.00
Appeals Board Expenses	200.00	200.00
Town Hall		
Wage - Custodian	3067.00	3224.00
Maintenance	8555.00	12520.00
Copy Machine Paper, Supplies & Repairs	1500.00	1000.00
Town Clock	150.00	150.00
Board of Health	660.00	660.00
1980 1981		
Each Member 220.00 220.00		
Sewer Commission	660.00	660.00
Each Member 220.00 220.00		
Elementary School Committee	890.00	890.00
1980 1981		
Each Member 178.00 178.00		
TOTAL	55843.00	59667.00

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Police Department		
Chief Salary	14606.00	16066.00
Special Police Wages & Chief's Vacation Replacement Account	8350.00	10152.00
Expenses	9165.00	11500.00
Secretary	4088.00	4992.00
Fire Department		
Chief Salary	535.00	535.00
Forest Fire Warden	200.00	200.00
Public Safety	100.00	100.00
Wages - Members (24)	6610.00	7200.00
Secretary	150.00	150.00
Fire Dept. Operating Expense	3800.00	4800.00
Hydrants	500.00	500.00
Hose and Equipment	2500.00	2500.00
Water Holes	1000.00	1000.00
Maintenance Fire Station	7000.00	9034.00
Tree Department		
Wages	5900.00	5750.00
Expenses	500.00	650.00
Insect and Pest Control	413.06	450.00
Wire Inspector		
Salary	1200.00	1200.00
Expenses	100.00	125.00
Building Commissioner		
Salary	4280.00	4280.00
Expenses	400.00	200.00
Civil Defense	750.00	600.00
TOTAL	72147.06	81984.00

HEALTH AND SANITATION

Board of Health		
Nurse and Substitute	14744.00	15988.00
Nurse's Expense	800.00	850.00
Homemaker/Home Health Services	6000.00	6500.00
Clerk	900.00	---
Car Expense	550.00	940.00
Night Nurse	3200.00	---
Supervisor	900.00	---
Health	1500.00	1000.00
Dog Officer		
Wages	500.00	365.00
Expenses		305.00
Animal Inspector	477.00	477.00
Sewer		
Expense of Commissioner	75.00	75.00
Operation of Sewers		
Wages	16528.00	17850.00
Plant Operation	11460.00	12460.00
Landfill		
Wages	4776.00	4945.00
Expenses	8887.00	9745.00
Mosquitoe Spraying	3445.00	2500.00
TOTAL	74742.00	74000.00

TOWN ROADS AND RELATED EXPENSES

Highway Department		
Supt. Expenses	760.00	800.00
Wages	55362.00	54729.00
Snow Removal Wages	19343.00	16877.00
Highway Tools	1000.00	1500.00
Garage Tools	2000.00	500.00
Snow Removal	23517.00	28737.00
Machinery Maintenance	34310.00	50010.00
Highways, Bridges & Railings	24660.00	54820.00
Culverts	3848.50	*
Sidewalks	2000.00	1000.00
Street Lights	25000.00	30000.00
Highway Bounds, Surveys, Street Lists	25.00	25.00
TOTAL	191825.50	238998.00

*Included in Highways, Bridges & Railings

VETERANS		
Memorial Day	620.00	682.00
Soldiers Relief	4500.00	4378.00
TOTAL	5120.00	5060.00
RECREATION AND CONSERVATION		
Recreation Program		
Wages	5800.00	4020.00
Expense		1400.00
Maintenance Athletic Field	600.00	500.00
Conservation Commission	200.00	200.00
Fish	300.00	300.00
TOTAL	6900.00	6420.00
CEMETERIES		
Cemetery		
Wages & Contractural Services	1900.00	200.00
Expenses	100.00	200.00
TOTAL	2000.00	400.00
LIBRARIES		
Dickinson Library		
Salaries	17050.00	17960.00
Expenses	8195.00	11534.00
Northfield Farms Library	250.00	250.00
TOTAL	25495.00	29744.00
EDUCATION		
Elementary School	406424.00	430102.00
PVRS Operation	415886.42	441786.86
Franklin County Tech. Dist. Cap.	16871.82	15638.64
Franklin County Tech. Dist. Operation	97352.30	127882.60
TOTAL	932534.54	1015410.10
MISCELLANEOUS		
Historical Building	200.00	200.00
Historical Commission	200.00	200.00
Alexander Hall	400.00	400.00
Insurance	37500.00	41250.00
Chapter 32B (Blue Cross-Blue Shield)	24750.00	38229.00
Land Damage	100.00	2000.00
Fence Viewers, Pound Keepers, Field Drivers	25.00	25.00
TOTAL	63175.00	82304.00
GRAND TOTAL	1429782.10	1593987.10

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Overlay Reserve Fund any sum or sums of money for a Reserve Fund for the current fiscal year as provided by Chapter 59, Section 25 of the Massachusetts General Laws, as amended, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends to transfer the sum of $15,000.00 from the Overlay Reserve Fund.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide, any sum or sums of money for the purpose of providing funds to comply with the provisions of the Massachusetts Employment Security Law designated as Chapter 720 of the Acts of 1977, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,500.00.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Assessors to appoint one of their members as Clerk of and to the Board of Assessors, in accord with the provisions of Chapter 41, Section 4A of the Massachusetts General Laws, and/or to employ a Clerk, and for this purpose to raise and appropriate, or otherwise provide, any sum or sums of money for such employee, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends to raise and appropriate the sum of $3,000.00.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to accept and appropriate any sum or sums of money provided by the County, designated as the 'Dog Fund', to the Dickinson Memorial Library in accord with the provisions of Chapter 140, Section 172, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends to accept and appropriate the sum of $342.50 provided by the County, to the Dickinson Memorial Library.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $926.25 already received from the Commonwealth for public library purposes, in accord with the provisions contained in Chapter 760 of the Acts of 1960, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide, a sum or sums of money to purchase new furniture for the Dickinson Memorial Library, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Amount required: $300.00

The Finance Committee does not recommend.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a gift, under the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 53A of the Massachusetts General Laws, from the Northfield Mount Hermon Schools, a certain parcel of land within the Town of Northfield, adjacent to the present Dickinson Memorial Library lot on the east side, and described as follows, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto:

Beginning at a stone marker, said marker being at the northeast corner of land of the Inhabitants of Northfield upon which the Dickinson Library is situated; thence S 60 1/4° E along land of Guy H. Cote and Rhea M. Cote a distance of 123 feet 8 inches to an iron pin; thence S 25 3/4° W, in a line parallel to Main Street, along other land of Northfield Mount Hermon School a distance of 125 feet 2 inches to an iron pipe located in the northerly line of Dickinson Street; thence westerly along the northerly line of said Dickinson Street a distance of 123 feet 8 inches to an iron pin, said iron pin being at the southeast corner of said land of the Inhabitants of Northfield; thence northerly along the easterly line

of said land of the Inhabitants of Northfield to the point of beginning. Containing .36 acres, more or less.

Being a portion of Parcel 18 in deed of Northfield Hotel Company to The Northfield Schools dated December 27, 1948 and recorded in the Franklin County Registry of Deeds, Book 932, Page 481. See Certificate of Change of Name from the Northfield Schools to Northfield and Mount Hermon Schools recorded in Franklin Registry of Deeds, Book 1159, Page 257. See Certificate of Change of Name from Northfield and Mount Hermon Schools to Northfield Mount Hermon School recorded in Franklin Registry of Deeds, Book 1276, Page 124.

This conveyance is made upon the condition that the granted premises shall be used to provide vehicle parking facilities for persons using the Dickinson Library. In the event the premises described herein is not used for this purpose, title shall revert to the grantor, its successors and assigns.

Article 15. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide a sum or sums of money for grading and graveling the lot given to the Town by the Northfield Mount Hermon Schools, in order to provide a parking area for the Dickinson Memorial Library, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Amount required: $800.00

The Finance Committee does not recommend.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a contract with David Quinn of Northfield, Massachusetts, or his nominee, to provide ambulance service to residents of the Town, such contract to be for a term not to exceed one (1) year, for an amount not to exceed Eight Thousand ($8000.00) dollars, and on such other terms and conditions as the Selectmen shall determine, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends to raise and appropriate the sum of $8000.00.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to accept from the Northfield Mount Hermon School, a Massachusetts Corporation, a sum of $4000.00, to be applied to the Town expenditure for Fiscal Year '81 under the Town's contract for the provisions of ambulance service, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to hear the report of the Committee appointed to study the Cemetery needs of the Town, including acquisition of additional land therefor, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to accept any or all of the following sums of money, for the following purposes, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto:

(a) From Kathryn S. Livingston, Pentecost Rd., Northfield, Mass., for Perpetual Care of Lot #30A in Mount Hermon Cemetery $100.00

(b) From A. Lawrence & Doris W. Tyler for Perpetual Care of Lot #188 in West Northfield Cemetery $100.00

(c) From Richard L. & Margaret E. Tyler, for Perpetual Care of Lot #5A2 in West Northfield Cemetery $100.00

(d) From Charlotte M. Black, 129 Birnam Road, Northfield, Mass., for Perpetual Care of Lot #28A in Mount Hermon Cemetery $100.00

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or otherwise provide any sum or sums of money for the purpose of providing Mental Health and Retardation Services for citizens of the Town, and that any sum so appropriated be transferred to the Franklin-Hampshire Area Board Trust Fund under the direction and approval of the School Committee or the Board of Health, or under their joint direction, or whomever else may be designated by the Board of Selectmen, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Amount required: $2431.00

The Finance Committee makes no recommendation.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide, any sum or sums of money for the Council on Aging for the purpose of providing home care, nutrition services, and other expenses to Senior Citizens of the Town of Northfield, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends to raise and appropriate the sum of $500.00.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide, the sum of $2000.00 as the Town's share of the Shared Administrative Assistant Program, to accept any other funds as may be available to support said program during fiscal year 1981, and to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a cooperative agreement as prescribed by Mass. General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 4A for the program's administration and management, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends to raise and appropriate the sum of $2000.00.

Article 23. (By Petition) To see if the Town will vote to rescind the action of the Special Town Meeting, April 8, 1980, which passed by a vote of 115 "Yes", to 107 "No", (Article 5) to instruct Northfield's Representative and Senator to the Massachusetts Legislature to submit a special act on behalf of the Town, providing for a recall procedure pertaining to all elected and appointed town officials, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to place the following question upon the official ballot at the next Annual Town Election; such question to be answered "yes" or "no", or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto:

"Shall this Town continue to be a member of the Franklin Regional Transit Authority?"

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or otherwise provide, a sum or sums of money not to exceed $_____ to institute and operate a Transfer Station for the disposal of municipal solid waste, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Machinery Earnings Account of the Town, any sum or sums of money to the Machinery Maintenance Account, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to rescind the vote taken under Article 21 of the annual Town Meeting on May 8, 1979 in which it was voted to transfer from free cash the sum of $45,000.00 for Chapter 90-type construction for Fiscal Year 1980, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to accept and expend the sum of $45,646.00 available under the provisions of Chapter 480, Acts of 1979, for highway construction and improvements, and to authorize the Selectmen to enter into contract with the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Department of Public Works; and further to transfer from available funds said sum in anticipation of 100% reimbursement, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Town's Snow Removal Account the sum of $3500.00 to the Chapter 32B Account for Fiscal Year 1980, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to accept and expend the sum of $39,500.00 or any other such sum or sums that may be made available from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Department of Public Works, for Fiscal Year 1981 Chapter 481 and Chapter 90 construction of town roads; and to authorize the Selectmen to enter into contracts relative thereto; and further to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow said sum or sums in anticipation of 100% reimbursement, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends.

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide a sum or sums of money for the purchase of a 1980-1981 Diesel Dump Truck and related equipment for the Northfield Highway Department, and further to trade in or dispose of the 1969 Ford Dump Truck, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends to transfer the sum of $38,000.00 from the Federal Revenue Sharing Account.

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide, a sum or sums of money for the continuing maintenance, purchase of supplies, preservation, indexing and microfilming of Town or Historical records or memorabilia of the Town's history and development, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Amount required: $1500.00

The Finance Committee does not recommend.

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide, a sum or sums of money for the purpose of insulating the attic in the Town Hall, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Amount required: $2800.00

The Finance Committee recommends to raise and appropriate the sum of $2800.00.

Article 34. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide the sum of $700.00 to supplement the amount of $1000.00 voted under Article 37 of the Annual Town Meeting held on May 8, 1979 for the excavation and sealing of the outside, downstairs foundation walls of the Town Hall, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee does not recommend.

Article 35. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide, a sum or sums of money for the purchase of a dry copier machine to be used in the office of the Northfield Town Hall, trade in or dispose of the present copier, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends to transfer the sum of $4000.00 from the Federal Revenue Sharing Account.

Article 36. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide a sum or sums of money for the purchase of a new Police Cruiser and related equipment, trade in or dispose of the present cruiser, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Amount required: $7500.00

The Finance Committee recommends to transfer the sum of $7500.00 from the Federal Revenue Sharing Account.

Article 37. To see if the Town will vote to hear the report of the study committee appointed to investigate the formation of a Regional Police Department, in accord with Article 46 of the Annual Town Meeting held on May 8, 1979, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Article 38. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide, a sum or sums of money to purchase a breathalyzer for the Northfield Police Department in anticipation of reimbursement through a grant being applied for with the Massachusetts Governor's Highway Safety Bureau, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Amount required: $1200.00

Article 39. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into an agreement with the Board of Selectmen of Montague to have the Town of Montague's Nursing Department administer a program in the Town of Northfield, all in accord with Chapter 40, Section 4A of the General Laws of Massachusetts, authorizing towns to perform services jointly, and to further vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide any sum or sums of money for the purpose of funding said Nursing Program, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Amount required: $4811.00

The Finance Committee recommends to raise and appropriate the sum of $4811.00.

Article 40. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide the sum of $ 187.97 for expenses incurred by the Sewer Commission during Fiscal Year 1979, which were unable to be paid during said Fiscal Year, in accord with the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 64 of the General Laws of Massachusetts, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Sewer Commission: to be paid to Tighe & Bond Consulting Engineers $187.97

Article 41. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Moderator to appoint a special street light committee consisting of at least three (3) members, for conservation of electric power; said committee to present its recommendations to the Board of Selectmen no later than July 1, 1980, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Article 42. To see if the Town will vote to install 4000 lumen mercury vapor lights on existing poles 86B/3, 86/6 and 86/15 as requested by residents of South Mountain Road, said lights to be installed when existing lights in other locations within the Town are found to be unnecessary by the special street light committee, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Article 43. To see if the Town will vote to install 4000 lumen mercury vapor lights on existing poles 97/36-2 and 97/36-4, and change the existing light on pole 97/36 to a 4000 lumen mercury vapor light, as requested by residents of Old Turnpike Road; said lights to be installed when existing lights in other locations within the Town are found to be unnecessary by the special street light committee, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Article 44. (By Petition) Propose that the Schools Budget in its entirety be put in our Town Report.

Article 45. (By Petition) To see if the Town will vote to establish a zoning By-law Study Committee to be charged to study the existing zoning by-laws of Northfield and to make recommendations in writing to the 1981 Regular Town Meeting, members to consist of a member from each department in Town Government, to see whether or not ammendments are necessary or desirable for the future of Northfield, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Article 46. (By Petition) To see if the Inhabitants will vote to hold a Town Caucus for the nomination of candidates for Town Officers required to be voted for by official ballot in accordance with G.L. 53, Section 121, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Article 47. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide, any sum or sums of money for the Stabilization Fund, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Article 48. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Assessors to use from available funds, any sum or sums of money for the purpose of reducing the tax levy for Fiscal Year 1981, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Article 49. To see if the Town will vote to increase the appropriations limit established by Chapter 151 of the Acts of 1979 by _____ so that the appropriations limit as so increased will be _____, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Article 50. To see if the Town will vote to increase the levy limit established by Chapter 151 of the Acts of 1979 by no more than _____ so that the levy limit as so increased will not be more than _____, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Article 51. To see if the Town will vote to increase the budget limit established by Chapter 151 of the Acts of 1979 by _____ so that the appropriations limit as so increased will be _____, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Article 52. To see if the Town will vote to exempt $_____ of free cash from the provisions of Section 12A of Chapter 151 of the Acts of 1979 and that such free cash not be utilized for the purpose of reducing the property tax levy for fiscal year 1981, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Article 53. (By Petition) To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at the U. S. Post Office in Northfield, the Dickinson Library, the Field Library, Northfield Farms, and the 'Barnes' Service Station, West Northfield, in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this twenty-second day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty.

SELECTMEN OF NORTHFIELD

Ralph K. Leach, Chairman
Carolyn B. Parenteau

A True copy ATTEST:

CONSTABLE

Joseph G. Morgan

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